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# Germany's Auto Industry to Slash 100,000 Jobs

Intramural Squabbles Paralyze Russia's Government

By Brandon Mitchener International Herald Tribune

FRANKFURT - Germany's powerful automotive industry, struggling to recover from its worst crisis in years, said Wednesday it planned to slash its work force by almost 100,000 over the next several years.

Contrary to government hopes of a speedyeconomic recovery, the German Automobile Manufacturers Association, in its latest annual report, said its members use of layoffs, early retirement and other means of cutting labor costs would continue into next year. Officials described the industry's retrench-

By Stephen Erlanger
New York Times Service

ment as a desperate attempt to neutralize the effects of Germany's sagging international

ompetitiveness.

Martin Herzog, the association board mem-er responsible for aum parts suppliers, which

The strong yen could push Toyota Motor this year to its first loss. Page 9.

are disproportionately hit by the automotive industry cutbacks, called the process of shift-ing jobs abroad an "industrial exodus" that once begun, is "irreversible."

industry's post-reunification peak in July 1991, the latest forecast calls for a 12 percent to 15 percent reduction to about 600,000 workers at a time when Germany is saddled with its highest unemployment in more than

The decline in employment is not only a result of recession-related production cuts, but also reflects companies' efforts to increase productivity and cut costs, and will therefore likely continue even when production takes off again," the association said.

This echoed recent announcements by individual German companies, including Mercedes-Benz AG, a flagship of German indus-try, which said Tuesday it planned to cut 14,000 workers from its local payroll next year to save 1 billion Deutsche marks (\$595 mil-

The association put current industry-wide employment, including makers of automo-biles, commercial vehicles and parts, at just under 700.000.

"Despite our warnings, politicians and la-bor have too long worshiped the illusion that Germany was an unassailable bastion of eco-

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# U.S. Penalizes China Over Missile Exports

## High-Tech Sales Worth \$400 Million Will Be Denied Beijing for 2 Years

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
WASHINGTON — The United States im-

posed limited sanctions on China and Pakistan on Wednesday after concluding that China had sold advanced missile technology to Pakistan in

violation of an arms-control agreement.

The move was another setback to U.S.-Chinese relations, plagued by differences over human rights and other issues relating to China's

weapons-export program.

The sanction bans the sale of sensitive U.S. high technology equipment to the Chinese agencies responsible for the missile-technology sale, said the chief State Department spokesman, Mike McCurty.

"It's our estimate that somewhere between \$400 million and \$500 million a year of commercial activity will be affected by the sanctions that are imposed today," be said. Those figures are less than 10 percent of U.S. exports to China last year. The impact on trade with Pakistan is expected to be minimal.

Asked if American companies would be pro-tected against their losses, Mr. McCurry said: "No. Than's a significant cost that we pay but it reflects the seriousness with which we look at the issue of nuclear proliferation.

At issue is U.S. evidence suggesting that China transferred to Pakistan technology for the M-11 surface-to-surface missile. Its export violates the Missile Technology Control Regime, according to the United States

Both China and Pakistan deny any viola-

In Pakistan, a Foreign Ministry spokesman, Munir Akram, said Pakistan bought short-range missiles from China, but not the M-11s. He did not say whether Pakistan had purchased M-11 missile technology.

Pakistan already is prohibited from receiving most U.S. aid because of legislation barring assistance to countries working to develop a Officials said part of the U.S. case against the

two countries was based on satellite photographs taken of a Chinese shipment that arrived last year at the Pakistani port of Karachi. Lynn Davis, undersecretary of state for inter-national security affairs, informed the Chinese

and Pakistani ambassadors of the U.S. deci-

U.S. law requires that sanctions be applied when the Missile Technology Control Regime is violated. It bars the transfer of missiles with a range of more than 185 miles (300 kilometers) or a payload of more than 1,100 pounds (500

The M-11 has a range of about 190 miles and a payload of about 1,100 pounds. It's designed to carry a conventional warhead but can be reconfigured to carry a chemical or biological weapon. Experts say it is probably too small to carry a nuclear warnead. Pakistan is believed to nave a nuclear weapons program.

China did not sign the missile technology accord. But in November 1991, it promised to respect it. In return, then Secretary of State James Baker used his authority under the law to waive an earlier round of sanctions for alleged M-11 sales to Pakistan.

Richard Brecher, of the U.S.-China Business Council, said China bad an \$18 billion trade surplus with the United States last year. The net effect, he said, is to worsen the trade imbalance He said the U.S. company most affected probably would be Hughes Aircraft, which ex-ports satellites that are launched on Chinese

Mr. McCurry said the U.S. decisioo principally affects the two Chinese enterprises that were involved in the transaction; the Ministry of Aerospace lodustry, which includes the China Precision Machinery Import-Export Corporation, and the Ministry of Defense. Subsidiar-

ies of these organizations also are affected. President Bill Clinton in May granted a one-cear extension of China's most-favored nation trade status, but conditioned future extensions on improvements in China's human-rights record and adherence to arms-control guidelines.

The administration is concerned that China is trying to sell ingredients for chemical weapons to Iran. A Chinese vessel thought by U.S. officials to be transporting such materials is heading for a Saudi port. China has agreed to permit inspection of the cargo.

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with illegal businesses. That charge was leaped upon gleefully by opposition newspapers and politicians like Mr. Khasbulatov and Vice Pres-ident Alexander V. Rutskoi, who have been tossing corruption charges at the government

While the politicians are squabbling, the au-thority of the government itself is ebbing. Fundamental decisions are avoided or postponed. The government is split over economic policy. Huge, rich regions of the Russian Federatioo are going their own way. Inflation is rising again - to 7.1 percent for the week ending Aug. 10, the highest weekly figure since the panic in January over hyperinflation. Real structural reform is postponed, drawing out the economic pain of transformatioo.

But instead of resolute leadership, a tired and cynical population has been treated to an extraordinary bevy of contradictory accusations

against the heart of the government itself. In the last week, a presidential commission on corruption has made unsubstantiated accusations against Mr. Rutskoi, who denies them. It accused the country's chief law officer, Valentin G. Stepankov, of plotting the murder of a commission member on the telephone with a shadowy ex-KGB official living well in Canada; they deny it.

At the same time, the commission admitted that the Foreign Trade, Economics and Energy ministries were all under investigation for cor-

Four senior ministers have already resigned or been dismissed. Earlier this month, Viktor P. Barannikov, the head of the Security Ministry, the domestic part of the former KGB, was dismissed, allegedly for corruption. So was the deputy minister of economics, Yuri Olkhovi-kov. The information minister, Mikhail Fedotoy, quit under pressure from another Yeltsin aily, Mikhail Poltoranin, who wants a more rigorously controlled press.

But no resignation has done more damage than that of the 32-year-old minister of foreign trade, Sergei Y. Glazyev. Mr. Glazyev, regarded as a market-oriented

technocrat, was on his way to Africa on an official visit when his plane was recalled to See RUSSIA, Page 5



ATONEMENT IN WARSAW — President Boris Yeltsin of Russia kissing a wreath he laid Wednesday at a monument to 4,000 Polish soldiers who were murdered in Katyn forest during World War II. He said he would not object if Poland decided to join NATO. Page 2.

## U.S. Indicts Egyptian Cleric In Trade Center Bombing

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW YORK - Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman, the blind Egyptian Muslim cleric being detained by the United States, was charged Wednesday in the World Trade Center bombing and o plot to blow up the United Nations and other New York facilities.

In addition, the sheikh and three others including the man accused of murdering Rabbi Meir Kahane — were charged in the federal indictment with conspiring to murder President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt.

Mr. Kahane's accused killer, Sayyid A. Nosair, was indicted on new charges in that slaying. Mr. Nosair was acquitted of state murder charges but is in a New York prison on a related weapons conviction.

The new indictment alleges that 11 men pre-viously charged with a plot to bomb the United Nations, the Lincoln and Holland tunnels, the George Washington Bridge and a building g FBI offices were also involved in the Fch. 26 World Trade Center blast.

That vehicle-bomb explosion killed six peo-

hundreds of businesses for weeks.

ple, injured more than 1,000 and displaced

"The objective of the organization was to carry out and to conspire to carry out acts of terrorism, including bombing and murders, against various governments and government officials, including the United States government," the indictment said.

Many of the defendants were followers of Sheikh Abdel Rahman, 55, who preached at mosques in Brooklyn and Jersey City.

The clerie has been in federal custody in Otisville, New York, since July 2, after an immigration judge ordered him deported. He is

The indictment said that Sheikh Abdel Rahnan, who in public remarks has denounced the trade center bombing and UN bomb plot, was responsible for giving his blessing to the group's plans and mediating disputes.

It said the sheikh "provided instructions re-

garding whether particular acts of terrorism

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## In U-Boat's Haul, No Treasures Yet Salvagers Find 'a Mess' as Vessel Is Disarmed Off Denmark

COPENHAGEN - Explosives experts began disarming torpedoes on a recovered World War II German submarine on Wednesday.

while salvagers, hoping in find Nazi documents and treasure, found wine and condoms.

"It's a hell of a mess down there," said a spokesman for the salvage group, Jonathan Wardlow. "Things are just anywhere. And it stinks after being filled with sea water and clay for 48 years."

The submarine was sunk by a British bomber

on May 5, 1945, the day after Nazi troops surrendered in Denmark, northern Germany, Norway and the Netherlands. Three of the 52 crew members died.

Surviving crewmen, who witnessed the raising of the submarine from the Kattegat seabed on Monday, said there had been no senior Nazi

officials on board and no treasure, as historians But the salvagers have not been discouraged,

although the objects lished out of the interior so far have not been of great value. "Some of the first artifacts we discovered on board were 100 bottles of German wine, a gross of condoms, a splendid pipe and a pair of binoculars, all remarkably intact," Mr. Ward-

He said historians advising the salvage com-pany, Smit Tak, confirmed that a small supply of condoms was a standard part of the inventory on German submarines during the war.

A Danish Navy explosives expert, Captain Finn Linnemann, entered the 77-meter (255-font) U-534 submarine on Wednesday to remove detonators from torpedoes. That type of U-boat was routinely armed with 16 to 22

torpedoes, each with 280 kilograms (620 ounds) of explosives, experts said. Captain Linnemann and his crew also were

working to remove anti-aircraft shells from the vessel, which is drying out on a barge.

"It's a risky and slow job," said Mr. Wardlow, adding that all explosives would be removed by Friday.

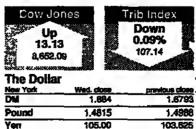
Historians have speculated that the submarine, like some other German submarines seized at the end of the war, might have contained secret documents, valuable goods or fleeing

Historians say valuable goods and papers may have been hidden in secret compartments or in food cans. One historian said the submarine was carrying 16 tons of food instead of the

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## Again, Cambodia Turns to Sihanouk

PHNOM PENH (WP) - After weeks of deliberations on a constitution, Cambodia's recently elected political leaders have reached a consensus on a proposal to restore the monarchy and again offer the throne to



The leaders of the two main political parties are scheduled to fly next week to North Korea, where Prince Sihanouk is liv-ing, to seek his approval. An alternative, if he rejects it, is a draft constitution that calls for an elected head of state.

NASA officials wait for a call from the wayward Mars Observer.

As rural Italy burns, the nation wonders who is making the money. Japan's prime minister ruled out further compensation for war victims.

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Belgium should sever the franc-mark link,

## **Bosnia Takes UN to Court Over Partition**

By Stephen Kinzer

New York Times Service
THE HAGUE — With less than a week remaining before the government of Bosnia-Herzegovina decides whether to accept the country's division into three ethnic ministrates, lawyers for Bosnia asked the World Court on Wednesday to rule that any such division would be "null and void."

They also asked the court to declare that the United Nations arms embargo against Bosnia is

If the court agrees to take these steps, it would in effect be overruling the UN Security Council, something it has never done before. A decision could come within two weeks.

The court, which is the UN's principal judicial organ, ordered the government of Yugoslavia in April to refrain from all acts of genocide

A UN aid convoy reaches Mostar after being blocked by Croatian protesters. Page 2.

against Bosnia and to stop aiding the Bosnian Serb army. At Wednesday's session, lawyers for Bosnia asserted that Yugoslavia had "paid absolutely no attention whatever to the orders of this court and proceeded to violate each and every measure ordered by the court."

The court is now faced with the imperative for more direct and resolute measures," said Mohammed Sacirbey, Bosnia's chief delegate to the United Nations.

Mr. Sacirbey said that his government was participating in UN-sponsored peace talks in Geneva only because it was under "unprincipled pressure" to do so. Mediators have asked the Bosnian government and its Croatian and Scrbian rivals to accept the plan by Aug. 30. "If we do not participate, we are then labeled

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# From Florida to Tokyo, the Cry Goes Up: 'Buy Shoes, Save a Gator'

By William Booth

CHRISTMAS, Florida - It is a long way from Ed Frochlich's gator farm to the floor of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. But in the brave new world of global economics and conservation. Mr. Froehlich's alligators and Japanese stocks are inexorably, if weirdly, linked.

The price of alligator skins is in free-fall. The immediate reason is that the Japanese do not buy alligator handbags during a recession, and so alligator farms are going bankrupt. A third of them may go under in Florida and Louisi-

But that is not all. Environmentalists say the story of the rise and fall of the gator industry may illustrate a seemingly contradictory point: To save a wild species, such as the American alligator, society might have to decide that killing

"It's o hard concept to get across, but if people in America

buy an alligator handbag," said Don Ashley, a consultant for the Florida Alligator Farmers Association. As Mr. Ashley sees it, by harvesting alligators from the wild and on farms, society gives them and the freshwater

marshes where they live an economic value. "Giving the gator a value gives their habitat o value," Mr. Ashley said. "It gives society another good reason not to dam and dike and drain the swamps. Look, Florida has lost half its wetlands. Half. And it's not going to save the rest unless there's a good reason."

The best reason to save something, Mr. Ashley says, is Environmentalists agree. "We tell people: Buy alligator, if you can," said Ginete Hemley, director of a wildlife trade monitoring program at

the World Wildlife Fund, in Washington. "There's little question in our minds that controlled hunting and ranching has helped provide incentives to want to protect the alligator, the best thing they can do is protect both the species and habitat." Ms. Hemley said.

The mere fact that an industry has been built around alligators is remarkable. In the early 1970s, the federal government listed them as endangered

"The populations were severely depressed in some areas," said Nick Wiley of the alligator management section of the Florida Game and Freshwater Fish Commission. "But we questioned that they were truly endangered. There were still good numbers of alligators in remote areas. By the mid-1970s, we had alligators again coming out of our ears, so to

Many Americans, however, mistakenly believe that the giant amphibious reptiles are still endangered. But alligators are doing so well in Florida that they have become a nuisance in many settings.

Not a month goes by without some new lurid report of a rogue alligator consuming someone's poodle, or worse. Trappers call the canals that crisscross Florida "alligator

In June, a Little League canoe trip on the Loxahatchee

River near West Palm Beach ended in tragedy when an 11-foot (3.3-meter) alligator snatched Bradley Weidenhamer, 10, by the head, held him under the water and killed him as his father struggled to free him.

Rogue alligators are shot and skinned, and all populations are being managed by the state, which allows limited hunting and egg collecting. Gator farmers are a colorful bunch. In Florida, some are reformed poachers. Mr. Froehlich, a self-described "outlaw

of the swamps," said he played hide and seek with game wardens for years, hunting alligators at night and selling the illegal skins on the gray market. He was never caught. Mr. Froeblich said he had agreed to stop his roctumal

adventuring if the state would allow him to raise alligators on his farm, begun in the 1960s. Today he is called "the father of alligator ranching" in Florida. During the late 1980s, gator ranching was booming, and



## Yeltsin Endorses **Polish NATO Bid**

## Walesa Aides Press Alliance To Open Up Its Membership

the two leaders signed a major trade agreement and an accord that would bring a natural gas pipeline from Russia through Poland to

Western Europe and would allow

Poland in buy gas at reduced rates.

Stressing the NATO issue, Mr. Drzycimski said Mr. Yeltsin's

stance should make the West drop

its reservations about Poland's

membership, which he said were based on the risk of offending Rus-

"Now the West has no argument

squirm out of any agreements using

talked about among the alliance

But as the changing nature and role of NATO in the post-Cold

War era of ethnic rivalries are de-

high on its agenda were NATO membership and the security guar-

antees that came with it. During the August 1991 coup that brought down President Mikhail S. Gorba-

chev, the Poles, who for centuries have felt caught between the East and the West, felt a renewed sense

While Mr. Yeltsin and his Rus-

sian delegation were in Warsaw on

a 36-hour visit, members of the

Polish government were reluctant

to express a fear of turhulence in

the farmer Soviet Union as a main

reason for wanting to join NATO.

But with an unsettled Ukraine

on its borders and poor relations

hetween Ukraine and Russia, Pol-

ish officials have said they feel a

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have no border claims and we have

stable frontiers and good relations

with nur neighbors, Germany. Rus-

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55,000 Muslims have been under Medjugorje in a dispute over an
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been called off because hundreds

miles) west of Mostar, Bosnian mil-

itary sources said. But the convoy

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Walesa winning the day.

By Jane Perlez

New York Times Service WARSAW -- On his first visit to Poland as the leader of Russia, President Boris N. Yeltsin was treated Wednesday to a display hy this former Soviet satellite of how much and how quickly it wanted to join the West, specifically NATO. In the past, the Russians bave

expressed reservations about Po-land's ambitions to join the alliance. But in an appearance in the green gardens of the presidential residence, Mr. Yeltsin and President Lech Walesa agreed to a joint statement that restated Poland's desire for NATO membership and pointed to Mr. Yeltsin's "understanding" of the policy.

Afterward, senior members of the Polish government, including the defense and foreign ministers and memhers of Mr. Walesa's inner circle, took Mr. Yeltsin's acquiesce to Poland's NATO amhitions as an occasion to push for the West to

open up membership.

The spokesman for Mr. Walesa. Andrzej Drzycimski, described what he called the Russian agree-ment to Poland's joining the North Atlantic Treaty Organization as the most important achievement of the

hated among its memhersbip, Washington has been cautious about hringing in the farmer East Bloc countries too quickly for fear The trip included a special ges-ture to Poland by Mr. Yeltsin, who ledged to withdraw the estimated 1,000 Russian troops still in Poland three months early, by Oct. 1. And

#### Attali Reinstated To His Post on French Council

PARIS — Jacques Attali, the former president of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Develapment, was given back his for-

A French cahinet announcement said he had been reinstated as a member of the Council of State, the country's top administrative court. which also advises the government

mer French government job on

sions in the former Soviet Uninn and the problems they may cause Poland, Polish officials stressed Mr. Attali's reappointment was confirmed Wednesday by the cahinet on a motion by Justice Minister

Mr. Attali, 49, a farmer aide to President François Mitterrand, served an the enuncil before lounding the European bank in 1990. He resigned from the bank in June amid heavy criticism of his perfor-

Mr. Mitterrand has distanced himself from his farmer top adviser in recent months over accusations that Mr. Attali plagiarized portions ol presidential conversations with the Nabel laureate Elie Wiesel in his book, "Verbatim,"

- A United Nations aid convoy

finally reached the Muslim sector

Wednesday after Croatian protest-

The 27-truck convoy pulled into

the Croatian-held central sector of Mostar at nightfall, and food and

ing to the UN refugee agency spokeswoman, Alemka Lisinski.

finally reached the Muslim sector Earlier efforts to get the convoy of the Bosnian city of Mostar on into Mostar on Wednesday had

ers had blocked the convoy lor of women and children barred the hours.

of way in Citluk, 29 kilometers (12)

medical supplies were unloaded from some of the vehicles, according to the vehicles, according to the demonstrators. UN aid

But 19 of the trucks proceeded to 250 tons of food, were also held up

# Russian Vice President Linked to Graft

By Michael Dobbs

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Washington Past Service

MOSCOW — A high-level corruption scandal in Russia continued to expand Wednesday with the publication of documents purporting to show that millions of dollars in kickbacks were deposited in a Swiss bank account controlled by Vice President

Alexander V. Rutskoi. The documents, which were made public by a government anti-corruption commission set up by President Boris N. Yeltsin, also indicate that Mr. Rutskoi set up a trust fund in Switzerland for himself and his family just days after the failure of a hard-line Commu-

A spokesman for Mr. Rutskoi, a former aviation general who fought in Afghanistan, dismissed the documents as a "complete forg-

nist coup in August 1991.

Allegations of corruption involving high state officials have become the key weapon in an increasingly ruthless struggle for power between Mr. Yeltsin and his political oppo-

nents, who are grouped around the more conservative Mr. Rutskoi.

Each side has accused the other of making easier the illegal transfer abroad of billions of dollars through elaborate import-export schemes involving shady Western intermedi-

Russian newspapers, most of which are highly partisan, have so far failed in conduct an independent investigation into the charges that have been leveled against Mr. Rutskoi and others.

While the latest allegations against Mr. Rutskoi clearly have a strong political moti-vation, and must therefore be treated with great cautinn, they are nonetheless interesting because this is the first time that specific evidence of corruption has been produced against such a high state official. Copies of the documents were published

by the pro-Yelisin newspaper Izvestia on Wednesday morning after being handed over to the Moscow prosecutor's office. The first document purports to be an agreement, dated Aug. 27, 1991, setting up a

Rutskoi and his family. The document bears the signatures of the vice president and his alleged Swiss-based trustee, Benjamin Keret. who has since died.

A list of trust property includes a Zurich-based trading firm, Trade Links Ltd., with an account at a Zurich hranch of Banque Indo-

Other documents purport to show that the sum of \$3 million was transferred to the Indosuez bank account of Trade Links in November 1991 following the coaclusion of atrading deal involving the export of baby food to Russia,

In a television interview, the chief of Mr. Yeltsin's anti-corruption commission, Andrei Makarov, described the sum as a "kickback" to Mr. Rutskoi for facilitating the \$13.5 miltion contract.

Mr. Rutskoi was not available for com-ment but a close aide, Andrei Fyodorov, said that he intended to file a libel suit against Izvesua and Mr. Makarov.



An elite security unit patting down suspects Wednesday during a raid on a market in Moscow, a favored haunt of criminals. Russians face a crime emergency. Murders in Moscow so far in 1993 jumped to 784 compared with 462 in the same period last year.

## Protesters Paralyze 2 Nigerian Cities

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LAGOS - Protests against the military gov-

erament brought Nigeria's two higgest cities virtually to a standstill on Wednesday, the day before the country's ruler, General Ibrahim Babangida, was due in give up his post of

their desire to be part of Europe, The stay-at-home protest to force General Cahinet ministers emphasize the Bahangida's government in hand power on Thursday to Moshood Abinla, a husinessman strength they say they would bring to a widened NATO. widely acknowledged to have been the victor of "If Poland jains NATO, it won't the annulled June 12 presidential election. hring any problems," said Krzyszagains appeared confined to Mr. Abinla's home tnf Skuhiszewski, the Polish foreign minister. "If Poland joins, the secu-

Muslim soldiers.

The Croatian protesters, carry-

ing placards accusing Muslim sof-

diers of committing massacres, said they opposed the UN plan to dis-

tribute most of the convey's aid to

A food convoy last reached the Muslims on June 2. UN officials

have warned that residents could

begin to die of starvation within

days without regular convoys.

Overnight, the U.S. Air Force

But Mr. Ahiola remained undaunted, dis-missing General Babangida's plan to hand over power to an uncleated civilian-led interim government as a ploy.

"Anybody who is put there will be a surrogate," Mr. Abiola, who has been outside Nigeria since early August to drum up foreign sup-port, told a British radio stannn.

UN Relief Convoy, Delayed by Protesters, Reaches Mostar

An alliance of 30 civil liberties groups, led by the Campaign fur Democracy, called the na-tionwide protest. It was planned to last three Most banks and shops in the normally bus-tling commercial center of Lagos stayed closed. Traffic was light. There was little public trans-

port on the streets, although some taxi drivers cruised for fares. t ucte mas a stuma ne w Nigeria s biggest city. Ibadan, 120 kilometers (75 miles) north of Lagos. "Banks, shops and markets

stitute of Tropical Agriculture said. But the impact of the protest seemed in have been limited in Mr. Abiola's southwestern

were shut," an official at the International In-

home reginn.

The protest did not affect Nigerian oil production. "We have had no reports from the fields about protests," an official of one of

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Nigeria's oil joint venture partners said.

An oil company official said, "In the urban areas you would expect to see a perceptible effect, but in the rural areas, where the oil operations are, it's business as usual. People are aiting to see what happens."
Nigeria's oil sector, the mainstay of its econnony, is based in the southeast of the country.

which was not affected by two previous rounds Even in Lagos itself life began to returning to the city of 6 million people as some previously shut banks and shops opened for business after

there were no signs of violence.

More than 100 people were killed in Lagos when rinting youths co-opted a similar protest

A reporter said that life in the inland capital Abuja was normal. In the northern cities of Sokoto, Kaduna and Kano residents contacted by telephone said people were going about their business, apparently oblivious to the protest

ple died in Serbian shelling attacks in Sarajeva as the fate of a pro-posed Bosnian peace plan ap-

Bosnian Croats said their provi-

sional parliament would meet on Saturday to vote on the Geneva peace plan that would carve up

The Muslim-led Bosnian parlia-

ment, meeting in Sarajevo, will vote

on Friday on the proposal. The

rebel Serbs' self-styled assembly

will meet on Friday in Pale, outside Saraievo, to decide on the plan.

Bosnia into three ethnic states.

peared doubtful.

## WORLD BRIEFS

## Balladur Acts to Save Curbs on Aliens

PARIS (Renters) - Prime Minister Edouard Balladur said Wednesday that his conservative government would seek to restore key elements of a law restricting immigration that were recently struck down by a French constitutional watchdog.

Mr. Balladur said at a news conference the government was preparing a new bill to skirt objections made by the Constitutional Council two weeks ago. But he said he had not yet decided whether to seek a constitutional indiment to restore the most controversial measure, which concerns

pouncar asytum.

A decision to try to amend the constitution could trigger a clash with the Socialist president, François Mitterrand, who has been a strong proponent of the right to asytum.

#### Grenade Hurts 6 Germans in Turkey

ISTANBUL (Combined Dispatches) — A grenade thrown at a group of German tourists wounded six and their Turkish guide Wednesday while they were on an outing here to see the Byzantine city walls, news reports said.

The police said a youth hurled what was believed to be a fragmentation grenade before running away. The tourists were walking in the Topkapi district, on the outskirts of Istanbul, about three kilometers (two miles) from the center.

The Turkish news agency Anatolia said one of the injured tourists was hospitalized with a head injury. Details on the other injured were not immediately available, but hospital sources said those injuries were not (AP. Reuters)

#### Dalai Lama Rejects Chinese Offer

NEW DELHI (AFP) — China's invitation to the Dalai Lama to return was spurned Wednesday by the Tibetan government-in-exile, which said talks could not be held if Beijing imposed preconditions.

The Dalai Lama's chief representative here said the invitation extended by a Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman earlier Wednesday could be considered only if Beijing agreed to drop its insistence that the independence of Tibet cannot be negotiated.

In Beijing, the spokesman said the Dalai Lama was welcome to return and that doors for negotiations were open on all matters barring the same of Tibetan independence. The Tibetan high priest recently renewed an offer to Beijing to grant autonomy to Tibet in all matters barring foreign affairs and defense in return for dropping his demand for independence.

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#### UN to Send Truce Team to Caucasus

UNITED NATIONS, New York (Reuters) — The Security Council has decided to establish a UN Observer Mission in Cancasian Georgia of up to 88 military observers plus a small support staff, with a six-month It will be the first UN observer team to be sent to any of the warring

republics of the former Soviet Union.

The UN secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, in a recent report, recommended creation of the mission to monitor compliance with a July 27 cease-fire agreement between Georgia and rebels in Abkhazia, a region under Georgian control that wants independence.

#### North Korea Nuclear Talks Are Set

VIENNA (AFP) - North Korea and the International Atomic Energy Agency are to start consultations on Tuesday in Pyongyang on the resumption of inspections that have been on hold since February, the agency said Wednesday.

The agency is seeking access under the Nuclear Nonproliferation

Treaty to a nuclear-research complex at Yongbyon, 100 kilometers (60 miles) from Pyongyang, the North Korean capital. The agency suspects that North Korea has stockpiled weapons grade nuclear material there

and is developing a secret nuclear-weapons program.

North Korea, which decided not to withdraw from the treaty in June as it had threatened to do, denies having a nuclear-weapons project.

#### Germans Doubt Arson-for-Pay Tale

POTSDAM, Germany (Combined Dispatches) - No proof has been found for the allegation that villagers paid a neo-Nazi to set fire to a refugee center, state justice amborities said Wednesday. The accusation came out a day earlier in a Berlin newspaper and spread

in German news media, and even the national ARD television looked into what appeared to be a case of "solid citizens" sponsoring arson against an unwanted refuger center. The Brandenburg State Justice Ministry said the investigation had been under way for months but "produced no basis for concrete guilt."

#### U.S. Move in Somalia Reassures UN

MOGADISHU, Somalia (NYT) - Besieged in their headquarters for more than two months and barraged by guerrilla-style attacks, United Nations officials said Wednesday that the arrival this week of 400 clite U.S. Army troops not only would help in the capture of a fugitive Somali clan leader but also would be critical in regaining control of the streets of

The deployment of the U.S. Army Rangers is part of a move by the United Nations to capture General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, a powerful warlord who has stymied the UN mission here, UN officials say. In an effort to marginalize General Aidid and begin the process of reconciliation with his backers, the UN has also stepped up contacts and talks with Somalis belonging to General Aidid's clan and political faction. Yet the military option still remains the most viable because

General Aidid has repeatedly turned down the suggestion of quietly going into exile while the UN prepares his trial, officials said.

#### TRAVEL UPDATE

Swissair was to resume weekly Hights to Kinshasa, the capital of Zaire, on Thursday after a seven-month suspension because of unrest. (AP) South African tourists and Mozambican miners have become targets of nmen along the road from Mozambique's capital to the South African border, despite the presence of UN troops, according to local press reports. There also have been reports of a growing number of armed attacks on civilian vehicles along the corridor from Zimbabwe to Mozambique's port of Beira, which since April has been under the protection of Italian UN troops.

Hungary's aircraft maintenance workers struck for higher wages Wednesday, disrupting flights by the state-owned carrier Maley. (AP)

**Munich Fires Airport Security Aide** 

MUNICH - The security chief at Munich airport, Germany's second largest, was dismissed Wednesday after reports of laxity involving thousands of staff passes.

An airport official said Heinrich Weiss had been fired in line with

a suggestion by Georg von Waldenfels, finance minister of Bavaria, who heads the airport supervisory board. He said Tuesday that the issuing of passes to amport security areas needed to be reviewed after reports that 2,000 had been lost or issued to unanthorized persons. No incidents have been reported as a result of the situation, but the Bavarian premier, Edmund Stoiber, has said there must be no security problem at the airport.

## Fresh European Doubts Arise Over Bosnia Partition Plan

By William Drozdiak Washington Pist Service PARIS — The European allies

are expressing fresh doubts about the latest peace plan to end the civil war in Bosnia because of fears that it may prove difficult, if not impossible, to enforce in a way that would preserve the veneer of a sin-The draft proposal to partition

Bosnia into three ethnic ministates while maintaining the unitary state has been tentatively approved by leaders of the Serbian and Croatian communities. The largely Muslim government is expected to decide

an Community mediator. Lord Owen, is sponsoring the plan, has asked the United Nations to consider sending up to 40,000 troops to carry out the partition and police an eventual cease-fire.

While the allies concur that alwinter could lead to worse disasskepticism among European governments that believe the accord may not hold up its promise of sustaining the Bosnian state.

Thorvald Stottenberg, the UN dain for a process that they believe who represented 44 percent of Bos-envoy who along with the Europe- is placing the Muslims under such mass prewar population, are being any peacekeeping troops duress to sign a deal in which the Serbs, about one-third of Bosnia's population, will get control of more than half the land.

"We have a number of doubts and critical questions," the Duich foreign minister, Peter Koolimans, lowing the war to continue into the said Wednesday after meeting in The Hague with Lord Owen and ters, the mediators are running into Mr. Stoltenberg, "Is the territorial skepticism among European govintegrity of Bosnia-Herzegovina guaranteed in such a way that it will be preserved?"

Mr. Kooijmans said he had diffi-Dutch and German officials culty believing in the viability of an have scarcely concealed their dis- agreement in which the Muslims.

prodded into acquiescence by the to the Balkans. Mr. Kooymans said the Dutch

in the western Bosnian town of airdropped 25 tons of food and prewar population of 130,000 — medical supplies into the city.

medical supplies into the city.

BBC radio said many people had

ing, because they had no batteries

for radios and had been otherwise

packs were scooped up by people

who were outside around midnight

to escape the stilling basements

where they had taken refuge during a day of heavy shelling, the BBC

counting for 42 percent of Mostar's

Croass and Muslims - each ac-

report said.

cut off from the outside world. Most of the airdropped ration

government was now reassessing its offer in send extra peacekeeping troops to supplement the 1,000 Dutch soldiers now on the ground in former Yugoslavia because it seemed dubious that the peace deal would last even if all parties sign it.

Lord Owen and Mr. Stoltenberg also met Wednesday with Germany's foreign minister. Klaus Kinkai, whn is also known to harbor doubts about the plan. Germany.

France, which has 6,000 soldiers helping deliver humanitarian aid in

grate a few months ago as plans for

The U.S. airdrop into Mostar was an expansion of the air force's six-menth-old program of dropping food and supplies into Besti-

an areas under attack.
Two air force C-130 cargo planes

flew from Rhein-Main Air Base in

Germany to drop more than 13,400

military rations into the city. U.S.

officials said in a statement.

the former Yugoslavia, the largest contingent of any country, bas refused to commit itself to premise more peacekeeping troops if the new peace plan is approved. French officials said a decision

to send more troops will probably not be made until the United States determines whether it will participate in carrying out the peace plan. If the Muslims agree to the plan on Monday, the pressure for a ma-

jor communent of peacekeeping troops from the United States wil he intense. French officials, who predict the negotiations may drag on innger while the Muslims seek new conditions, insist that other countries will only take part if the Americans get involved. "Everyone is waiting to see if Clinton is willing to get his hands dirty," a senior official said Military planners at the North

Atlantic Treaty Organization have started assessing what enforcement of the new peace plan would entail alliance's integrated commund was called upon by the United Nations to help police the agreement.





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What is the Sound of a President Relaxing?

EDGARTOWN, Massachuserts.—Listen carefully: The silence you hear from this Allantic island is the sound of the president of the United States at play.

United States at play,
For more than two years, since he first started running for
president, the one absolute constant in Bill Clinton's life has been talk. Talk in public. Nonstop talk on every manager of issue facing the

But now, for six days - and several more to come - he has given himself, and the country, a vacation. Here on Martine's Vincyard, Mr. Clinton has golfed, read, walked on the beach, sung songs with Carly Simon and cruised Vincyard Sound with Jacqueine Kennedy Onassis, but he has made not one proposal, begin not a single public dialogue, uttered no comments.

Even his Saturday radio address on the economy and health care had been taped ahead of time, is Washington.

Vacations are, perhaps, the only part of a president's overscheduled life upon which he can exert any real control. Because of that, how he chooses to relax can tell us much about the man, whether it be Ronald Reagan's retreats to the solutide of his ranch in the clouds or George Bush's fresetto games of golf at his ancestral compound in Maine.

In Mr. Clinton's case, until recently, he handly related at all contenting himself with a day grabbed here and mother grabbed there as he scrambled headlong in purpoid of his goals. Shortly before leaving Washington, Mr. Clinton told nides in a staff meeting that it had been four years since his family had taken a real vacation together. That was a mistake, he conceded, although aider admit that without the recent swicide of his friend Vincent E. Foster Jr., the deputy White House counsel, Mr. Clinton might well have ended up

Continuing the pattern

Even so, many sides were skeptical that the pussident would actually settle down and stay at rest for more than a week. So far, however, he appears to have adjusted, forswearing even his usual morning national security baleings in favor of a quick paper summary of the day's news.

Instead, Mr. Clinton has been sleeping until 10, partying until midnight and staying mostly out of sight.

Whole days have gone by with hardly a public glimpse, as the usually ubiquitous chief executive enjoys the solitude and salt air of the beachfront compound owned by Robert McNennara, who has absented himself to provide room for the president's family, their immediate staff and security grands. More than 74 hours elapsed between Mr. Clinton's arrival here and his first public words. If a didn't do anything vertendry, it was great. Read a book. Sleet. It's didn't do anything yesterday. It was great Read a book. Slept. It's been a long time." (LAT)

#### Quote/Unquote

Dee Dee Myers, the White House press secretary, on the president's vacation: "I think he's trying to give his brain a rest." (LAT)

## NASA Frets: Observer, Won't You Please Call Home?

PASADENA, California - NASA scientists waited anxiously for the call that never came. Now they must contemplate the unthinkable; that the Mars Observer flew right past the planet into oblivion.

"It's terrible, terrible, terrible," said Arden Albee, the project's chief scientist.

The wayward spacecraft has not been heard from since late Saturday and failed to radio Earth as scheduled on Tuesday, when it was to fire its thrusters and drop into orbit around Mars.

The spececraft remained silent Wednesday, said Jim Doyle, a National Aeronauties and Space Administration spokesman. Scientists simply did not know if it was circling Mars, had flown past it, or had been destroyed or disabled.

up on the Observer, launched in September on a \$1 billion mission to study Martian terrain, climate and weather using sophisticated instruments, including a camera that can spot an object the size of a small automobile from a 234-mile-high (380-kilometer)

"We presume the spacecraft is in orbit around Mars, but we have no positive indication of that," the project manager, Glenn Cunningham, said Tuesday at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. "I would like to believe the spacecraft is in orbit."

And what were scientists doing to relieve the tension? "Screaming loudly," Mr. Cunningham said. If the spacecraft has not received any of the commands sent to it in recent days, it should amomatically

NASA scientists bravely insisted they had not given have started another computer program and tried to months to a year if it came back near Mars after contact Earth on Wednesday.

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If it is just a transmitter problem and the craft has indeed settled into croit, it could stay safe for weeks while engineers in to regain contact.

But "if we don't get it toward the end of the week.

Mr. Cunningham said that if engineers re-established contact soon and found the spacecraft had missed Mars, they might be able to send new commands to put it into a higger but scientifically less a Martian city. valuable crbit around Mars. If that did not work, NASA might try to put the spacecraft in orbit in eight

swinging around the sun.

Another possibility was that the Observer was destroved during pressurization of its fuel tanks on Saturday, though an explosion was considered unlikely because of backup systems to regulate tank

then the hope is going to become, well really, hope."
said Dr. Albee, a dean at the California Institute of Technology.

Technology.

On Tuesday, protesters outside the Frequency and at a Washington press conference accused NASA of trying to cover up evidence that alien creatures built facelike sculptures, pyramids and other structures on Mars. They also charged that a manual group, to NASA intentionally disabled Mars "rogue group" io NASA intentionally disabled Mars Observer to prevent it from photographing the rains of

"It's absolutely the craziest thing I've ever heard,"

## Boy, 13, Is Called Jackson's Accuser

LOS ANGELES - A police investigation of Michael Jackson began after a 13-year-old boy told a therapist that the entertainer had fondled him, according to a source with access to police documents. Mr. Jackson denies any wrongdo- locked in a battle for custody, had

The singer, who is in Thailand for the latest leg of a world tour. or communicate with the boy. postponed a scheduled concert Michael Freeman, an attor there Wednesday. His doctor said he was suffering from dehydration but was expected to resume his performances Thursday in Bangkok.

The police in California have rebegan Aug. 17. Investigators with the Los Angeles County Depart-ment of Children's Services also refused to comment.

But the source who saw the contion had begun after the son of a Beverly Hills dentist told his therapist that Mr. Jackson had sexually abused him.

The source, who spoke on condidominium and his ranch near San- a member of The Jackson Five. ta Ynez, about 120 miles (200 kilo-

meters) oorth of Los Angeles. Anthony Pellicano, Mr. Jackallegations followed a failed at-

"I am confident the department

wrongdoing on my part," Mr. Jacklawyer, Howard Weitzman.

In another development, KCAL-TV reported that court documents showed that the boy's father, who is divorced from the mother and sought a court order to prevent her from allowing Mr. Jackson to see

Michael Freeman, an attorney for the boy's mother, said she had known nothing of the abuse allegations until the police began their investigation.

"She was shocked at what the fused to comment on the case ex-cept to say that an jovestigation who would not identify his elient. "Obviously she had no idea whatsoever that anything was going on of that nature or she would have

Mr. Freeman also denied that fidential police documents told The the woman had been part of an Associated Press that the investigation extortion attempt. The lawyer would not say how the boy had come to meet Mr. Jackson.

A lawyer for the boy's father refused to comment.

During a television interview in tion of anonymity, also said the February with Oprah Winfrey, Mr. police had seized photos and video- Jackson said he surrounded himself tapes in a search over the weekend with children to make up for a of Mr. Jacksoo's Los Angeles con-friendless, workaholic childhood as

He counts Elizabeth Taylor as a close friend, and the child actors Emmanuel Lewis and Macaulay son's security consultant, said the Culkin are frequent companions.

After his Thailand appearances, tempt to blackmail the sioger for Mr. Jackson is to travel to Singa-520 million.

Mr. Jackson is to travel to Singa-pore. Taiwan, Japan Messan, Japan rael, Turkey and the Canary Iswill conduct a fair and thorough lands. In his statement on the investigation and its results will investigation, he promised to coodemonstrate that there was no tioue the tour.



A Michael Jackson fan leaving a Bangkok stadium Wednesday after learning that the singer had postponed a concert until Thursday.

## 3 Aides Quit, but Departure of Bentsen Is Thought Unlikely

rockier, than expected because of resign nology. He said Mr. Bents the huge difficulties that President The secretary is very committed not have ordered such a Bill Clinton's budget plan cincomits to bedding the president accomplish less he planned to stay.

By David Johnston

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The White House is

proposing a package of measures that would affect millions of acres of westand, offering

some additional protection to fragile ecosys-tems, particularly in Alaska, but easing some of

tems, particularly in Alaska, but easing some of the restrictions on wetland use.

While the Bush administration was consider-ing a plan that would exempt up to 1.7 million acres (685,000 hectares) of Alaskan wetlands— I percent of the state's total—from federal protection, President Bill Chines's plan would impose protection for all the wetlands in Alas-

In another important departure from the

Bush approach to regulating wetlands, Clinton officials said they would close some looplindes that had allowed developers to build shopping mails and housing in some wetland areas.

Partly offsetting that measure, the new proposal would also provide administrative are

mues for developers to appeal decisions denying construction permits.

The plan also proposes to turn regulation of currently farmed wetlands over to the Department of Agriculture, a shift that would put

jurisdiction over wetlands in the hands of an agency that conservationists have traditionally

agency that conservationists have tradinously perceived as one that pots priority on nitrical tural interests.

In many respects the Clinton plan communes the direction of Bush environmental regulators.

The plan proposes to commune exampling from federal protection 53 million acres of wetlands that had been drained and converted to ferming before 1985.

to farming before 1985.

And the Clinton proposal would continue to use a 1987 definition of wedlands developed by the Army Corps of Engineers.

New Wetland Curbs Sought by Clinton

years on the project.

too restrictive.

Plan Would Broaden Protection but Make Exemptions Easier

The announcement Tuesday called the plan a "balanced, common sense, workable set of im-provements."

The proposals total nearly 40 regulation changes, policy directives and a revised presidential order.

dential order.

Reflecting a low-key approach, neither President Clinton nor Vice President Al Gore issued

a statement.

Environmentalists reacted with little cuthusi-

asm, saying the proposals were a tenid series of steps that might open opportunities for abuse of a fragile and diminishing natural resource.

concerns of private development and really weaken wetlands policy," said Jan Goldman-'Carter, a lawyer for the national Wildlife Fed-

enation, a group that had taken part in the public hearings that led up to the announce-

Bus a coalision of companies representing building mining and other development interests criticized the proposals, saying they were

Hours after the plan was announced, lawyers.

representing mining and construction indus-tries filed a lawsuit in federal district court,

asserting that the administration must get ap-proval of Congress before it could impose the rule that would prevent developers from evad-

ing regulation.

The Clinton proposal includes final regulations that will take effect immediately, like the

exemption from federal regulation of 53 million acres of old wellands converted to farmland.

f a fragile and diminishing natural resource.
"If appears most of the action items favor

By Steven Oreenhouse, tered and because of criticism that his agenda," he said, including rati-

information flow and use of tech-nology. He said Mr. Bentsen would not have ordered such a study un-

The plan is to use a new definition of wet-lands when it has been completed by a National Academy of Sciences panel, which has spent

Bush proposal to allow wetland development in Alaska, can simply be withdrawn.

Some of the statements, like a commitment

Mr. Bentsen expressed no intention

of resigning.
"I think just the opposite," Mr. Strauss said. "He's enjoying his

In addition to Mr. DeVore, Phil-ip N. Diehl, Mr. Bentsen's chief of

to a goal of no net losses in wetland acreage, require no further approval. Other measures

will require legislation, like changes in the Clean Water Act to assert that the wetland

Officials said the plan had two principal

objectives - to provide enhanced protection for wealands and make the government's regu-latory program operate more effectively, as one official put it "to make much more clear who

Estimates indicate that the 230 million acres of wetlands at the beginning of European sct-tlement, have shrunk to about 100 million acres

in the lower 48 states.

By the mid-1980s, the nation was losing about 300,000 acres of wetland a year, the

government estimates.

The definition of the term wetland is a sub-

ject of debate, but it generally depends on water cover, soil wetness and vegetation on any given

From the recely marshes of New Jersey to the waterfowl flyways of California, the country's wetlands are increasingly recognized in scientif-

ic studies as critically sensitive areas that con-tribute to the environment in a variety of ways.

Among other things, they provide wildlife

habitat, a filtration system to cleanse water and also act as efficient sponges to soak up floods.

The action Tuesday came a little more than a week after environmentalists praised another significant land-use decision by the Clinton administration — a first step by Interior Secre-

protection is explicitly covered by the law.

Robert S. Strauss, a former staff, is leaving to become execuchairman of the Democranic Party, tive deputy director of the U.S. said in a telephone interview that Mint. Mr. Diehl had been Mr. be spent 10 hours Monday with Bentsen's legislative director in the Mr. Bentsen while the two were Senate and later became staff divacationing in California and that rector of the Senate Finance Committee, of which Mr. Bentsen was chairman.

The new chief of staff will be Josh Steiner, who had been special assistant to Deputy Treasury Sec-

retary Roger C. Aliman. Mr. Diehl was on vacation and

Mr. DeVore, who is assistant secretary for public affairs, said he was leaving because he wanted to return to Texas and had found that working within the federal bureaucracy was frustrating.

but Treasury officials said the posi-

tion at the Mint was a promotion.

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in the Senare, Gay Burton, will also

Mr. Benisea's personal secretary

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#### **Away From Politics**

• Lee Harvey Oswald fantashed about killing people as a teenager, according to a CIA memo written four months after President John F. Kennedy was mixed and recently released. "It is abundantly clear from all the materials reviewed that Lee Oswald was psychiatrically disturbed from his earliest youth." a CIA analyst, Arthur Dooley, wrote in the memo dated March 20, 1964. All available evidence points to a solitary act of a mentally unstable person." Rodney G. King, the black motorist whose heating by white police officers ultimately led to the Los Angeles rios last year, has been ordered confined to an alcohol rehabilitation center in Lot Angeles Jor at least 60 days after being arrested for drunk driving.

Jor at least 60 days after being arrested for drunk driving.

The reconstructed heart of the surviving Samese twin Angela Lakeberg should work normally as the recovers from surgery that separated her from her late sister, according to her doctors. There's nothing wrong, so lar as we can tell, with the mascle itself," said Dr. William Norwood, chief of cardiothoracic surgery at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Leslie Robbins returned to his \$35,600 a year job as a high school teacher in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, even though he won \$111 million during his summer vacation. Mr. Robbins, 30, said that it would be his last year at Sabish Junior High School in this Midwestern U.S. town and he would give his salary back to the achool.

A suit accusing Sensior Daye Durenburger, Republican of Minnesota, of raping a woman 30 years ago, and fashering her son was dismissed in Hastings, Minnesota, begangert was filed too late and the paterniny claim was refused by blood tests.

Nearly one in six students who borrow maney from the government for college fail to repay their loans on time. This year, unpaid student loans will cost expayers \$2.5 billion year, a prime down significantly from the \$3.6 billion loss in 1991.

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## **Hooky-Playing Lawyer Enters a Familiar Plea**

semption from federal regulation of 53 million tary Bruce Babbitt to reverse longstanding federal of old wetlands converted to farmland.

Other proposals, like cancellation of the graze cattle and sheep on public range.

Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - A lawyer who abandoned his client during a court trial and flew to Jamaica on vacation is seeking a postponement of his contempt-of-court hearing

tioning that day. Clayton J. Powell Jr. faces possi-

ble disciplinary action for failing to appear in a Washington court on July 26 to continue his client's defease in a child-beating trial. The previous Friday, Mr. Powell had fold Judge John H. Bayly Jr. that be planned to leave on vacation, say-ing he had bought nonrefundable airline tickets. Judge Bayly denied his request to withdraw from the

case and repeatedly warned him to show up that Monday. After Mr. Powell flew to Jamaica in spite of the order, Judge Bayly declared a mistrial for his client and a second defendant in the

child-beating case and scheduled a

criminal contempt hearing for the In his motion for a continu

Mr. Powell said that he had hired R. Kenneth Mundy as his attorney but that Mr. Mundy would be on vacatioo next Tuesday. Mr. Mundy, who had already left on He says his lawyer will be vaca-vacation, could not be reached for

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## Lord Kadoorie Is Dead at 94 Hong Kong Tycoon Had Close Ties to China

HONG KONG - Lord Kadoorie, 94, the last of Hong Kong's fabled taipans - the tycoons who transformed the British resiony from barren island to economic jewel, died Wednesday.

China Light & Power, the electricity company that Lord Kadoorie led for 57 years and that belped drive Hong Kong's post-World War II industrial miracle, said the financier died of natural causes in Hong Kong's St. Teresa

The son of a Jewish immigrant from Baghdad, Lawrence Kadoone was born June 2, 1899, at the peak of the British Empire and in the reign of Queen Victoria.

A survivor of the Japanese invasion and the Communist takeover of China, Lord Kadoorie was also the first Hong Kong-born man nominated to the British House of

Acting Governor Sir David Ford, in a statement of condolence to Lord Kadoone's family on behalf of the Hong Kong govern-

ment, described him as "one of our ly put the remaining family fortune outstanding citizens."

"He was a businessman of extraordinary vision," he said, "and was the dri ing force behind massive investment projects which will serve Hong Kong's interests well into the next century."

Lord Kadoorie's father, Elly Ka-

doorie, arrived in Hong Kong in 1880 to work for the Sassoons, another eminent Far Eastern Jewish Moving into China trade, he

made a fortune stockbroking and invested in utilities in Shanghai. founding China Light & Power. He was knighted in 1917. But the Kadonrie family for-

tunes tumbled after Japan seized Hong Kong in 1942. The family was kept in a prison camp, where Elly Kadoorie died, and the sumptuous Peninsula Hotel in Kowloon. a jewel in the Kadonrie crown, became the Japanese headquarters. Four years after the war, Mao

Zedong's Communists seized the family's Shanghai holdings.
But the younger Kadoorie quick-

to work, investing in postwar reconstruction and philanthropic works for floods of refugees who escaped to Hong Kong after the Communists took power in neighboring China.

Lord Kadoorie served in the colony's legislature and policy-making Executive Council from 1951 to 1954, In 1981, Queen Elizabeth fl bestowed on him the title "Baron Kadoorie of Kowloon in Hong Kong and of the city of Westmin-

Lord Kadoorie was also an unabashed Conservative who said be saw "quite a lot of good in colonial-Last year, he told the Interna-

tional Herald Tribune he was "still

a Victorian, one of the very few

He was reported to have close ties with Chinese leaders including Deng Xiaoping and was believed to be involved in preparations for Hong Kong's transfer of power to China in 1997.

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## Despite Apology, Japan Rules Out **Further War-Victim Compensation**

TOKYO - Moribiro Hosokawa, the first prime minister to apologize for Japan's World War II aggression," ruled out Wednesday any further compensation for war

"I am not considering reviewing the legal basis for war reparations. the leader of the governing coali-tion told the first question-and-answer session in the parliament since be was elected prime minister Aug. 6 to end 38 years of Liberal Demo-

He said Japan had fulfilled all the requirements for reparations under the 1951 San Francisco Peace Treaty and bilateral agree

In his first policy speech Mon-day, Mr. Hosokawa expressed his ment, one of the last Victorians.

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Mr. Hosokawa's Liberal Demo-

on by Japan's wartime efforts. Mr. Hosokawa said Japan would

"in no way" seek to become a "mini-superpower," referring to suggestions that it was trying to secure a permanent seat in the United Nations Security Council in exchange for expanding its UN peacekeeping role to combat mis-

The policy speech raised expec-tations among foreigners seeking compensation for suffering inflict-

#### Mother Teresa's Health Continues to Improve

NEW DELHI - Mother Teresa, hospitalized here for treatment of a malarial fever and a flareup of an old heart condition, continued to improve Wednesday, a hospital

cratic predecessors had gone no ed by the Japanese Army, mainly further than regretting an unfortunate past and the suffering brought enslavement of women. In Singapore, the government on

Wednesday welcomed Mr. Hosokawa's open expression of re-morse and his apology.

"We believe that if the Japanese government and people follow up and base their future actions on this acknowledgment of historical facts, there will be a reconciliation between Japan and its neighbors," the Foreign Ministry said in a

But in Seoul, a group of women who were forced into prostitution by the Japanese military staged a protest, along with relatives of war victims, ourside the Japanese Enbassy on Wednesday, demanding that Japan's new government start talks with them for complete repa-

Japan suspended compensation talks with Taipei after normalizing relations in 1972 with the govern ment in Beijing, which has pledged not to seek compensation from To-

#### Spanish Town Has Its Day In the Sauce

BUNYOL, Spain - People hurling tons of overtipe tomatoes at each other turned the town red on Wednesday in an annual tomato fight that drew

a record 25,000 people.

The event in Bunyol, 40 kilometers (25 miles) west of Valencia in southeastern Spain, is one of dozens of annual Spanish fiestes that feature such activities as dropping goats from church steeples, walking on hot coals and throwing bulls into the sea.

Many of the fiestas date from the Middle Ages or earlier and combine elements of Christian and pagan rimals, But the Bunyol event began in 1945, when locals settled a dispute with tomatoes.

The fiesta now draws an international crowd and is Bunyol's annual day in the sun. This year, participants threw 264,000 pounds (120,000 kilograms) of tomatoes, which are

# Back in Soweto, Veteran ANC Fighter Feels 'Betrayed' by Lack of Support

By Keith B. Richburg

Washington Post Service

SOWETO, South Africa - Khotso Makhajane was only 15 when he went into exile to battle apartheid as a guerrilla fighter for Umkhonto we Sizwe, the armed wing of the African

Seventeen years later, Mr. Makhajane lives in a South Africa where the system of racial separation has crumbled, the ANC is negotiating with the country's white-minority rulers for a transition to nonracial democracy, and the country's first all-races elections — scheduled for next year — will almost certainly bring an ANC-led government to power.

But the revolution under way in South Africa seems to have passed Mr. Makhajane by: in-

stead of beaming triumphantly, he says he feels disillusioned, neglected, even betrayed.

In the two years since he returned to the sprawling township of Soweto from exile in Angola, Mr. Makhajane has been unable to find a job, and he says the local ANC officials he visits regularly are doing little to help. He holds out little hope that his situation will improve once the ANC takes the reins of government, and he says be may not even bother to

And with an 8-year-old son to feed, Mr. Makhajane said, he may one day feel tempted to follow the path of other returned ANC guerrillas who have picked up their weapons again and turned to crime to survive

"I do leel betrayed." Mr. Makhajane said, speaking in the small brick home be shares with

15 years as a guerrilla lighter "are wasted," he says now, "I mean. I've gained nothing." He added: "All I can do is use an AK-47." "I was not expecting this." he said. The ANC

promised us a lot of things." The former guerrillas like Mr. Makhajane form a militant core of frustration and anger that is simmering in South Africa's black town ships, posing a tough challenge to the ANC leadership's credibility and another potential security threat to a country already racked by political killings, criminal mayhem and seemngly random violence.

These once-loyal fighters are now bitter and resentful, saving they gave the best years of their lives to a movement that no longer needs them. They have staged demonstrations of their

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about two dozen of them stormed ANC offices two weeks ago and have since been staging a sit-in, demanding that the organization give them financial assistance and promised job training

The government and police have accused former guerrillas of fomenting much of the criminal violence in the townships and have blamed them for bank robberies and other crimes. The ANC has accused the government of exaggerating the problem. Elsewhere across Africa - in such countries

as Ethiopia, Uganda, Zimbabwa, Mozambique and even newly independent Eritrea - as armed liberation groups have moved from the bush to the corridors of power, one of the most daunting problems facing them has been the demobilization of large guernilla armies and the reincorporation of former fighters into society. In most of those countries, unemployed ex-guerrillas, trained for little else but combat, have eventually returned to the bush - as criminals instead of freedom lighters.

Many in South Africa fear that that trend may be repeated here. An editorial this week in The Star, a Johannesburg newspaper, summed it up this way: "We have a time bomb in our midst, thousands of soldiers belonging to a guerrilla army which has suspended all its activities, who do not know what to do with them-It added: "Their only training is military,

and we should not be surprised if some turn their skills to crime as an alternative to starvation." The editorial called on both the ANC and the government to begin addressing the About 20,000 South African blacks are be-

tieved to have fled into exile to join the ANC's after the Soweto uprising, when he was only 17.

Now 34, he returned to Soweto, where he found ermed wing. The first wave left the country in the early 1960s, and the bulk went later, in 1976, after an uprising by black students in Soweto and the resulting government crack-

Soon after President Frederik W. de Klerk lifted the ban on the ANC and other illegal organizations in February 1990, preparations began for the return of the guerrillas. When they began coming back a year later, they were promised money for their initial resettlement, housing assistance for six months and job train-

Many opted to stay abroad, to complete their education in places like Tanzania and Nigeria. Carl Nichaus, the senior ANC spokesman in Soweto, said about 10,000 ex-guerrillas had returned, "considerably less than we had ex-"Many of the people who returned came back to an economy in recession," Mr. Nichaus

said. He said that while the ANC recognized the problem of finding jobs for all of its former fighters, the government also shared responsi lity for what was really "a national issue."
"Obviously it is very difficult for the ANC to

accommodate all of those who have returned," he said. "We are not the government of today." On that point, many returnees agreed, but they also held out little hope for improvement after next April's elections.

That's a difficult question," Mr. Makhajane said when asked if conditions would improve for the ex-guerrillas if the ANC assumed power. "Presently, they are dealing with thousands of people. In the future, they'll be dealing with

Mickey Malebo was one of those who left

no job and no room in the family house he had left. Now he sleeps in the back of his mother's beauty salon and spends much of his days scrounging food from friends. He said the ANC gave him about \$700 when he returned but has provided nothing since.

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"If I had stayed around, maybe I could have done something with all those years I wasted," he said. "Now I don't have nothing."

Not all of the former guerrillas are angry or disillusioned young men in their 30s. Phistos Monageng left for exile in 1963. He settled in Lusaka, married a Zambian and had four children, all born in Zambia.

As a senior guerrilla officer he earned \$100 a month from the ANC, and his wife, Marjorie, was able to supplement the family income with her earnings as a part-time typist for the group and as a dressmaker, in Lusaka, the family lived in a three-bedroom house with a relevision set and flush toilets: Last year, Mr. Monageng came home from

exile. Now 65, he lives on a squatter settlement called Orange Farm, in a tin shack with no electricity, no running water and no telephone.

The ANC promised him about \$2,550 for resettlement, but he received only a 10th of that before being told there was no more cash available. Now an ANC official comes by once a month with marze flour, soup, rice and milk— barely enough, Mrs. Monageng said, to last two

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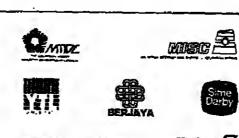
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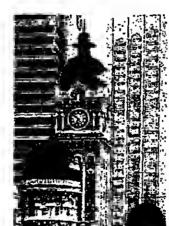
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## Who Wants Italy To Keep Burning?

## Police Suspect Half of Fires Were Set by Hired Arsonists

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service
TREVIGNANO, Italy — All through a long, hot summer, the fires have come, crackling through Italy's byways, marching like bright armies, scorching the earth -and making money for some out of the devastation of others.

By some government estimates, the summer's tally could reach a record | million acres (247,000 hectares) of burned woodlands, four times the figure 10 years ago.

No sooner has one blaze been extinguished than another has come: from the islands of Sardinia and Sicily to the mainland, 10,000 major fires have been reported devouring forest and farmland in the last two months alone, three times as many as in the same period last

True, the weather has been furnace-like and the grass tinder-dry, vulnerable to every spark or dis-carded cigarette butt. Yet, said Vito Riggio, a senior government official, the police believe that more than half the fires were set by arsonists, some locked in vendettas. some pursuing frauds that turn burned woodland and olive groves

The worst have consumed large tracts of Sardinia and Liguria, the northern province that forms part of the Italian Riviera, provoking speculation that after a spate of bombings in Florence, Milan and Rome earlier this year, a new "eco-logical terrorism" has supplanted the "cultural terrorism" behind the bombing of churches and art gal-

The flames that are devouring Italy are the result of a destructive, criminal plot," said Emanuele Sanna, a Sardinian official charged with defending the environment. This being Italy, it comes as oo surprise that in the cafes — even in

the newspapers — some people say that the Mafia is behind it all. The authorities have not produced evidence to support that theory, but seem in oo doubt that, just as there is no smoke without fire. there is oo fire without malign in-

"There is no single cause, but the conclusion remains that a vast network of illegality is directed against the most defenseless part of our territory — the forests, the countryside," Mr. Riggio said after meet-ing in Rome on Monday with Prime Minister Carlo Azeglio

Ciampi to discuss the fires. In the lakeside resort of Trevignano. 55 kilometers north of Rome, the fires at one time threatened homes on the hillside above the village, and helicopters flew in to scoop huge buckets of lake water and dump it on the blaze, South of fire fighting planes flew hours of sorties as great tracts of Sardinia

Some attributed the fires here to conspiracies intended to circumvent Italian laws forbidding the building of bouses on agricultural land. Once the land's agricultural capacity has gone, however, houses may be built.

This year seems worse," a longtime foreign resident said, "but it is not oew. One day you see the fires on agricultural land; the next day the bulldozers move in to start housing developments." Elsewhere, people have detected

other motives. In Sicily, for in-

stance, on the flanks of Mount Etna, the island's great and stillactive volcano, there is a "vicious circle" of arson leading to reafforestation, leading to more arson to extend reafforestation contracts, said Pantaleone Sergi, a reporter.
"The fires produce jobs and force the authorities to spend extra money and that money becomes a sea of gold for somebody," the Sicilian journalist said.

Mario Deaglio, an economist and political expert at the University of Turin, wrote recently that, just as mobsters in the city burn down stores whose "rebellious" owners refuse to pay protection money, outside the city "the burning of land near a campsite or holiday resort punishes the rebellious tourism manager."

Sometimes, though, the motives seem more personal.

In Sardinia, Tommaso Cadau, a 41-year-old jobless islander, was arrested this month and charged with arson. According to the police, he set a fire because he had been turned down for a job as a fire

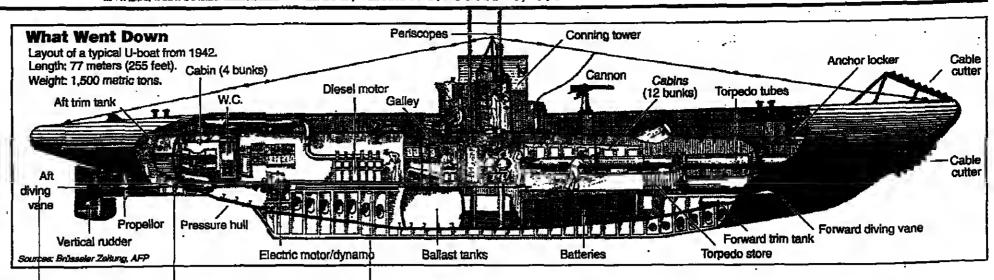
Others, according to the police, set fires so that they will find work as a fire fighters putting out the same blaze as they started.

Some, like the brothers Michele and Aniello Fucito, are accused of setting a fire to settle a long-run-ning family land feud on the Sor-rento peninsula near Naples, only to consume vast tracts of land in the hills above their smallholding.
One arrested arsonist was identified by the police as Massimo Fuoco, a name that could be translated literally as "Maximum Fire."

Among the more bizarre — if less conspiratorial — episodes was the fire that started in the Umbrian hills on Sunday when people chartered a train to protest the closing of small branch lines by the state

To make a day of it, they hired five turn-of-the-century railroad cars, hauled by an equally antique, coal-burning steam engine. But the sparks from the smokestack set fire to land in the hills near Spoleto. according to oewspaper accounts.

Unaware of what was happening in their wake, the train riders rolled on toward Lake Trasimeno, waving genially to bathers on the shore, whose curiosity at the steam train's passing turned to panic when sparks set fire to the grasslands fringing the beach.



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A Time and a Place For Going Natural

The French may have a casual attitude about nudity on the beach, but skimpy dress in the city is another matter. For the mayor of Saint-Raphael, on the Riviera, the last straw came when a half-clad woman came to City Hall to do business. It is now illegal to stroll through the city in anything less than shorts and T-

Mayor Charles Omede, who is in his 70s, rejects the nickname some have pinned on him, Mayor Modest, saying the new standard has more to do with aesthetics and a sense of propriety.

"If they were all Lido pin-ups, I'd drop this law in a minute," he

In Paris, meanwhile, the daily France-Soir has complained of a growing "anything-goes" attitude among vacationers and sunbathers, primarily along the Seine and on the lawn near the Eiffel Tow-

The paper says dress among many visitors — from the young German strolling barefoot near Les Halles to waders at the Trocadero fountain wearing only un-derpants — is "beyond hope." A recent scene near the Invalides, where lightly dressed sunbathers spared us no detail of their anatomy," was "worse than a Riviera-beach in mid-August!" Mayor Omede might disagree.

#### Around Europe

nstallations.

There is interest in Germany in mounting energy-generating wind propellers atop the pylons that support high-tension wires. Ac-cording to a study commissioned by the Lower Saxony Environnental Ministry, this is not only feasible but economically sensi-ble. But there are limits, the environmental officials say. The propellers, of course, are useful only in windy regions; each one would provide enough electricity for only about 20 households; and converting old towers would be more difficult than building new

Tired of thin and som wine, a group of Roman Catholic priests as called on wine experts, aided by theologians, to come up with new rules on wine used during

Mass. At a meeting at the Italian city of Asti, Father Pietro Mig-natta said that new ways of producing wine are needed to ensure better conservation without the decline from 900 grams (two addition of chemicals, which are pounds) a day per person at the beginning of the century to 160 grams today. banned by canon law. Father Mignatta served on a jury that tasted 20 Mass wines from four nts. A Sicilian muscatel of British Rail are, to be sure, a Passitd, was declared best beconcern amid plans to privatize cause of its excellent conservathe huge network, but many in tion, though Father Mignatta admitted to a weakness for Malvaria, a local rose. Britain seem more worried about the fate of the 200 or so cats that

In France, which prides itself on the world's best bread, bakers are happy that the government is sticking its oose into their kitchens. So-called industrial ba-guettes — for which dough is mass-produced, frozen, then sent off to be thawed and baked have bitten off 15 percent of the total market

But under a new law, to earn a home-made" label, bread must be entirely produced at the site where it is sold, and without freezing; and "traditional French" bread cannot have been frozen and may contain no addi-

While the new rules affect only labeling, the country's 36,000 tra-

#### ditional bakers hope it may make a difference in the public mindperhaps reversing a trend that has usual 13 tons. But according to a seen French bread consumption

had surrendered

"There was oothing in treasures," Mr. Brinkmann said in a television interview. "It was just a normal trip. They were command-ed to go from Kiel to Oslo to surrender to the English."

Monday morning. The salvage experts then worked

to flush mud out of the vessel after it had been lifted out of the water. Mud had filled the space between the two bulls and made the craft too heavy to move. Mr. Wardlow said a full investi-

#### U-BOAT: No Treasures So Far

former officer on the vessel, the salvagers will find nothing special. The former officer, William Brinkmann, who was second in command of the submarine, although not on board for its final voyage, denied rumors that the submarine was transporting senior officials fleeing after Nazi forces

A Danisb-Dutch consortium brought the U-534 to the surface on

gation of the submarine would be carried out under Danish Defense Ministry supervision at Hirtshals, a port on the northern tip of Jotland, and could take months.

The initial investigation of the vessel is being carried out about 20

kilometers (12 miles) northeast of the Danish island of Anholt in the Kattegat waterway.

The submarine was found in 1986 by Danish divers in one of the deepest crevices of the waterway. Rumors of treasure arose because the submarine was of a type designed for long voyages and was attached to the German 33d Flouitla, whose main duty was to transport people and valuable cargoes to and from Japan, Germany's ally.

Mr. Brinkmann, who oow lives in Waterloo, Ontario, left the Uboat two months before it was sunk. In the TV interview, he said that in 1978 he had asked the submarine's former chief engioeer about rumors that the vessel had been carrying treasures or Nazi of-

"In his opinion, this wasn't true," he said. "We talked about those rumors and it turned out that

they were just rumors."

Mr. Wardlow said some of the ammunition for the boat's anti-aircraft cannons was still in perfect condition as were six torpedoes in the fore and aft firing tubes.

He said the vessel, eventually due to be put on permanent exhibition in Denmark, was in "fantastic shape."

#### Mob in Black Township Kills U.S. Student Near Cape Town

CAPE TOWN -A white American postgraduate student was dragged from her car by a 100strong mob in the Gugulethu black township near here and stabbed and beaten to death Wednesday, a senior African National Congress

official said. The official, the Reverend Allan A. Boesak, said that the killing was "clearly a racist attack." The student, Army Elizabeth Biehl, 26, of driving home two black women months.

with whom she worked at the

Mr. Boesak said.

He said the mob surrounded the car and began chanting the favored slogan of the hard-line Pan Afri-canist Congress: "One settler (white), one bullet."

change scholar doing research at was arrested on a similar charge the mainly black University of the last month. Newport Beach, California, was Western Cape for the last 10

Continued from Page 1 were permissible or forbidden, served as a mediator of dispotes among members of the organiza-ANC-leaning Community Law tion and undertook to protect the Center when the attack occurred, organization from infiltration by law enforcement organizations.

man and Mr. Nosair in the alleged plot to assassinate President Mubarak were Mohammed Abouhalima, the brother of a defendant in the trade center bombing, and The student.was a Pulbright ex- Abdo Mohammed Haggag, who

The federal indictment charges Mr. Nesair with racketeering for

baving murdered Rabbi Kahane by shooting him at a Manhattan hotel. It also said that he attempted to kill a U.S. postal officer as he fled.

help keep train stations rodent-

free. It helps to know that some of these felines have achieved

oear-mythic status over the years

- Tiddles, a 15-pounder (7 kilo-

grams), had earned such notori-

ety by the time of his death in 1981 that papers printed his obit-

uary - and that the costs of their

upkeep (about £95 each, or \$140,

a year) have been paid by the rail company. British Rail insists that

the cats are oot officially its em-

ployees, and assures that human

exterminators will be called if ro

dent populations get out of hand. But station workers will hear

none of it: Private or public, they

Brian Knowlton

PLOT: U.S. Indicts Egyptian Cleric in Trade Center Bombing and UN Plot

say, the cats will remain. .

Mr. Nosair is regarded as a hero by his following of young Muslim radicals. Many of those charged earlier in the two cases were known Named with Sheikh Abdel Rahto have supported him during his trial and to have visited him in

> "Tm sick. I'm simply devastated," Khadijah Nosair, Mr. Nosair's wife, said in reaction to the new indictment. She called it "a pack of

The new indictment had been promised a month ago by prosecu-

tors who were transcribing hundreds of hours of tape-recordings made by a government informant who had become a confident of Sheikh Abdel Rahman.

Acting on information from the informant, anthorities proceeded to make arrests. The first occurred during a June 24 raid when authorities said they apprehended five of the suspects mixing bomb ingredients in barrels.

Prosecutors have said the government infiltrated the alleged terror ring as long ago as November 1991 but did not get information about the plot against the World

Before the disclosure of the oev indictment, security was increased outside the federal courthouse in lower Manhattan. More than 160 police officers were assembled and trucks carrying barricades were parked in front.

Roo Kuby, a lawyer io William Kunstler's office, which is handling the defense for two suspects in the alleged terror plot and represented Mr. Nosair at his trial, said he was

This is the closest I've ever seen to using the criminal justice system to indict a religious group for reli-gious teaching," be said.

IAP, Remers)

#### RUSSIA: Political Squabbles Undermine Authority

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dles much lucrative business, is a regular target for corruptioo charges, and he had just ordered a sharp cut in the oumber of compa-nies authorized to export oil, oil products and nonferrous metals.

Illegal sales of these commodtties, exported cheaply and then sold for hard currency at market prices, have cost Russia billions of dollars, much of it deposited abroad. But at least some of this money comes from "friendly companies" set up by the Communist Party to get funds out of the country; there is also considerable evidence that the Security Ministry

Mr. Glazyev, angry about the bumiliation and the charges, resigned on Saturday in a furious letter in which he said he was a victim of "mafia bands" worming their way into power. He accused two senior government officials — Justice Minister Yuri K. Kalmykov and First Deputy Minister Vladimir F. Shumciko, who is also under investigation for corruption — of bounding him from office.

Mikhail Berger of Izvestia specu-lated that "powerful personalities" wanted Mr. Glazyev's "attractive and extremely influential job." Nezavisimaya Gazeta came to the point; Mr. Yeltsin had to do-

controls important export busi- cide whether to support Mr. Shumeiko or Mr. Glazyev, with his III to crusk

state regulation into foreign trade.
On Wednesday, a government press spokesman confirmed that Mr. Glazyev's resignation had been rejected after a four-hour meeting senior ministers. It also repri-

manded him.
Thus opened another fault line within a government already riven by deep disagreements over eco-nomic policy between the reform-minded Finance Ministry and the planning-minded Economics Ministry. The rift has been widened by a fond between the Finance Minis try and the Central Bank.

There have never been such ooisy and evident differences in Russia's higher echelons of power since the Bolshevik Revolution in October 1917," Izvestiz said Tuesday. That may be byperbole, but the current disarray does not augur well for Mr. Yeltsin's plan to force new elections this fall and replace

his sworn enemies in parliament.

Andrei Malgin wrote in the newsweekly Stolitsa that in the opinioo of ordinary Russians, they're all swindlers and gamblers 'up there,' they're all tarred with the same brush." So how will Mr. Yeltsin hold elections this fall, he of the electorate will never come to

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#### ment by means of genocide."

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as uncooperative by those who have the very responsibility to stop the crime, Mr. Sacirbey asserted. An agreement reached under present conditions, he said, would be "nnll and void on the basis that any ure was coerced under the threat of continuing genocide."

In its official application to the court, Bosnia asked that Yugoslavia and its leaders, particularly President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, be ordered to "immediat cease and desist from any and all efforts, plans, plots, schem posals or negotiations to partition, dismember, annex or incorporate the sovereign territory of Bosnia

Partition of Bosnia is a central aspect of the peace plan devised in part by the UN mediator, Lord n. Bosnia asked the court to rule that the plan, and by extension the entire UN-sponsored negotiating process, is illegal under provi-

BALKANS: Bosnia Challenges UN on Partition sions of the 1948 convention ban-

> The 1948 convention requires signatory nations to do whatever is necessary to prevent genocide. Bos-nia's lawyers declared that lifting the arms embargo against their government was their only hope to avoid "partition and dismember-

> They also argued that Bosnia was oot legally covered by the embargo because it was imposed before Bosnia became an independent nation.

By these arguments, Bosnia seeks to persuade the court that it should take a broad view of its mandate and make policy decisions that have traditionally been made by political organs of the United Nations. The court will have to decide not only whether there is a legal basis for Bosnia's requests. but also whether it would be prudent to order the reversal of decisions made by the Security Coun-cil.

#### **HIDES:** 'Buy Shoes, Save a Gator'

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the industry was being compared to a living gold mine. Prices reached \$60 a foot for wild alligator skins and \$180 a foot for farm-raised. People rushed into the industry. Some farmers became rich.

By late 1990, however, the bottom fell out. Now Alligators sell almost for less than it costs to produce them. Prices have never been so low: Wild skins sell for \$20 a foot and farm-raised for \$75 a foot. "It's killing us," said Kevin Fos-

ter, a gator farmer in Okeechobee.

"There are a lot of us just barely holding on."
In Florida and Louisiana, as many as one-third of gator ranchers may go our of business. The largest gator rancher in Florida has filed for bankruptcy protection.

But the gators keep eating, bundreds of thousands of them, chomping on ground beef and chicken wings and gator chow, while a worldwide slump sends the

new industry reeling.

The reason for the slump is well known: Overproduction collides with lowered demand; too many skins for too few buvers. A worldwide recession, particu-

larly in Japan, reduced demand. About half of all alligator skins are bought by Japan, so a dip in the Japanese Stock Exchange or Tokyo real-estate prices means fewer alligator purses sold. There is another problem, gator

farmers said. Many Americans think that buying alligator prod-ucts is filegal or unethical. "Most people still think they're endangered," Mr. Ashley said.

Even if the court does not grant all of Bosnia's requests, a sympa-thetic decision could win Bosnia more international support.

adviser to the Bosnians, said in an

"We have gotten six votes in the

Security Council to lift the arms embargo," Francis A. Boyle, an American law professor who is an interview. "We need to turn that six what happens here will help us do

# into nine, and we're hoping that asked: "The occessary 50 percent

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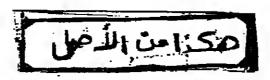
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The Principal Secretary



## U.S. Weapons for Saudi Oil

Remember when economists stayed up nights worrying about how the world would ever be able to recycle Saudi Arabia's buge petrodollar surpluses? Today's worry in Washington is about the dangers that flow from Saudi Arabia's equally huge deficits. Financial reserves that less than a decade ago totaled \$121 billion have melted away, spent on lavisb social programs, eccentric development schemes, subsidies to domestic and foreign friends of the Saudi royal family - and weapons. Since the Gulf War, the largest share has been going to weapons, especially those hought from the United States.

In the short run, this recycling of American dollars spent on oil for U.S.-made weapons is good for the American economy. But in the longer term it could bring trouble. The rough economic equilibrium that is achieved comes at considerable risk to Middle Eastern stability. The sad history of America's relations with the shah's Iran in the 1970s suggests how badly things can go wrong. Weapons cannot guarantee domestic tranquillity, nor assure

permanent friendship.
Saudi Arabia, a vast but thinly settled country, sits on top of the world's largest known reserves of oil. Even with today's relatively low petroleum prices, oil exports still earn Riyadh more than \$40 billion a year. But in every year since 1983, Sandi Arabia has run both a trade and n budget deficit. When calculated as a percentage of gross domestic product, Riyadh's \$7.4 billion budget deficit last year was twice as large as Washington's. Since the Gulf War, about \$16 billion in annual Saudi spending has gone to defense.

chases from America are currently pending, plus \$6 billion in civil aircraft. Last week President Bill Clinton phoned King Fahd to lobby for U.S. aircraft companies as Saudia, the state airline, prepares to order a modernized fleet. The Export-Import Bank is prepared to grease the Saudia sale with more than \$6 billion in American taxpayer-backed loan guarantees.

Although it is no longer flush, Saudi Arabia

is scarcely bankrupt. There is still plenty of oil underground, and much wasteful spending could be cut. And, as Americans will be particularly infuriated to learn, Saudi citizens still pay virtually no taxes. Tax-free benefits are doled out to keep Saudis reasonably content with an authoritatian system that offers limited rights and no meaningful opportunity for political participation. Some analysts worry that the kind of austerity policies that now seem to be called for could provoke social unrest.

As long as the United States maintains its present thirst for imported oil, it will keep pumping lots of dollars into the Middle East and keep looking for ways to cycle those dollars back into the U.S. economy. When oil dollars go to the lightly populated, autocrati-cally ruled Arab monarchies of the Gulf, America does not have much to sell them besides weapons. That tends to lock both sides into an unhealthy, mutually addictive, arms-for-oil relationship. Unless, that is, Congress finally musters the intellectual grit to treat America's addiction by passing a balanced energy tax and endorsing a strategic conservation plan to go with it.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## NAFTA and 'One World'

When the late Wendell Willkie, Franklin Roosevelt's electoral foe but philosophical friend, wrote his book "One World," his purpose was to defend internationalism and further the cause of the Allies in World War II. Inadvertently be also gave the farther reaches of the American political right one of its favorite slogans. To be accused of "One Worldism" by the minority of right-wingers given to a dark view of the world is to be cast into a nasty conspiracy intent on creating some sort of dictatorial world government. The death of communism has done less than might have been expected to still such fears.

Cries of "One Worldism" have arisen again in opposition to the North American Free Trade Agreement, which would create an open market among the United States, Canada and Mexico. Reporting in The Wall Street Journal on an anti-NAFTA rally to California, Tim Ferguson noted the presence of literature from the Liberty Lobby, representing the wilder reaches of the right, and the complaints of one participant that NAFTA represented a "step toward One World." A speaker at the rally took up the cry of opposition to "international government" and charged that a vote for NAFTA amounted to "treason," The conservative columnist Pat Buchanan, representing a decided minority within the Republi can Party, has taken to opposing NAFTA as an

attack on "national sovereignty. Let it be said up Iront that neither the conspiracy nuts nor Mr. Buchanan represent most of the opposition to the free trade treaty. Leaders of organized labor and some environ-

mentalists oppose the treaty nn more reasonnble grounds involving fears about job losses and worries that the Mexican government would leave environmental laws unenforced. We believe that opponents of the treaty are mistaken. They underestimate both the potential economic benefits of the agreement to the United States and the near certainty that a more prosperous Mexico will be in a better position to protect its environment.

But the argument here is over evidence and s meaning, and the same cannot be said of those who claim to see in NAFTA the shadowy hand of villainous forces. Those who advance this darker view hope to play on the legitimate fears that many Americans have about the global economy and how it will affect their living standards. The NAFTA debate should focus on these worries. It should be an argument about how the United States can best secure prosperity to a world marketplace that has already transformed the

meaning of "sovereignty." Those who would invent "One World" conspiracies or create scapegoats will neither help the United States nor advance the interests of Americans who may well need assistance in what is a difficult transition period in the world economy. Opponents of NAFTA have arguments to make. But they should resist the temptation to lend any credence to those who would use the NAFTA debate to sell their favorite theories about the plots and schemes of unspeakable, sinister forces. What is going on is a policy argument, not an exorcism.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

#### Other Comment

#### China's Corruption Fight

Corruption has again raised serious con-cern in China, and rightly so. The pro-democracy protests in 1989 were fueled not only by spiraling inflation but by public anger over malpractices by government officials and Communist Party members. Over the past two years, kickbacks, bribes, embezzlement and other misdeeds have resurfaced, raising fears of instability. Aware of the gravity of the situation, the government launched an anticorruption drive last week, pledging to punish officials no matter how highly placed they were. The move follows a series of scandals indicating that corruption has reached new heights. That it is taking place on a large scale is clear from reports that some 50,000 government and party officials were reprimanded or punished over various charges of corruption in the first half of this year. Corruption is also rampant in the military.

Aware of the urgency, the government plans to switch over to a modern civil service structure and trim the bureaucracy by 1995. The police is also to be modernized. Some new rules have been framed that make various acts of corruption a crime, reducing some of the fuzzine ... that existed previously.

Critical to rooting out corruption will be making the administrative system transparent and giving it a body of laws to prevent government functionaries from exercising excessive authority. Economic modernization will also help to pramote transparency. Another requirement for stemming corruption is reas-serting central control. But decades of inertia and the lingering legacies of communism cannot be reversed overnight. This will take a sustained and dedicated effort. Punishing a few corrupt high-ranking officials may ap-pease the public for a while, but the problem

will soon resurface. Unless its causes are addressed, corruption will continue to pose a threat to the country's stability. - The Straits Times (Singapore).

#### Cynicism Over Sarajevo

Is it right to save a horribly wounded child from the inferno in Sarajevo and forget his father who lies alongside in agony? And why does n government, shocked by its own indifference after seeing Irma Hadzimuratovic's dy-ing eyes, send a plane to save 20 other children and get angry protest when the plane returns with 13 critically wounded adults and only seven children? It seems that there is no limit to the cynicism with which half of Europe has managed in remove the war in ex-Yugoslavia from its conscience. And now this war has become a kind of supermarket in which countries and newspapers think they can choose the wounded who will most touch voters.

- La Repubblica (Rome).

#### An Alarm in the Amazon

The massacre of Yanomami Indians in Brazil should be a wakeup call to the growing violence along the Amazon. Searching for riches or just land to farm, outsiders have visited brutality upon these natives - whose tribes were "discovered" in the 1970s. Retaliating for a police raid, illegal miners shot men and slit the throats of women and children. The Brazilian government appears to be

trying to help, but it should act more forcefully. Growing pressure from the international community could make a difference.

It's shocking that the response is not more vehement. The line between civilization and barharism has been crossed.

- New York Daily News.



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# Since When Is It the President's Job to Sell Airplanes?

WASHINGTON — George Bush went to Tokyo early last year, accompanied by top auto executives from Detroit, and tried his best to sell their cars and auto parts. For this he was subjected to ridicule not only by the Japanese but also by Americans who are uncomfortable when their president acts as a sales

rep for private companies. Mr. Bush's political opponents, in-cluding Governor Bill Clinton of Ar-kansas, joined to the fun. But now President Bill Clinton has gone Mr. Bush one better. By directly intervening with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia. mg with King rand of Sandi Arabus, who was considering buying Airbus Industries passenger jets made in Europe, Mr. Clinton swung the \$6 billion deal to two big American companies, Boeing and McDonnell Douglas.

At least the Japanese declined to the Mr. Bush a favor.

do Mr. Busb a favor, so America owes the Japanese nothing for his indiscretion. But what does King Fahd get for acceding to Mr. Clinton's plea? We don't know what, if anything, Mr. Clinton promised him, or whether King Fahd merely banked a chit to be cashed later. But, given recent history, one can

hazard a guess. Despite all pretense of being a strong and independent power, the Saudis have become financially weak in the past decade, a result of the sharp drop in the real price of oil, buge defense and war costs, and ex-travagant living. Moreover, the Saudi regime remains threatened by its two mortal enemies, Iran and Iraq. All these Saudi vulnerabilities were

pointed out in the past several years in a series of reports by Professor Eliyahu Kanovsky of Bar-Ilan Uni-versity in Israel. He challenged the conventional wisdom that the Saudis would continue to control the price of oil. Last week his reporting and analysis were confirmed in reports

by The New York Times, Mr. Clinton phoned King Fahd last Tuesday, thanking him for responding favorably to a written communication be had sent on bebalf of Boeing and McDonnell Douglas. It is clear to the king, Mr. Kanovsky told me to a conversation from Jerusalem, that the only protection his country and the royal family have from Iran and Iraq is from the United States.

While King Fahd, considering his regime's financial strain, might mo-mentarily have been tempted by the subsidized prices offered by Airbus, it probably was not much of an effort for Mr. Clinton to persuade him to get his priorities straight, "ClinBy Hobart Rowen

ton doesn't have to make outright promises," Mr. Kanovsky said.
"The Saudi monarchy was saved by America during the Persian Gulf War," he added. "If he has to pay more than for the Airbus, it's a small

price to pay,' As always, there is no free lunch.

if King Fahd is reassured of military protection, he pays a premium for his passenger planes. If President Clinton's intervention preserves jobs in the American aircraft industry, he reinforces the U.S. commit-ment to defend the Saudi monarchy, if Mr. Kanovsky has it right. An ad-ministration official who would not

trade ministers. Mr. Clinton's direct Clinton's appeal to Fahd marks a new level of U.S. intervention on behalf of commercial industry.

that there was no quid pro quo.

The larger question is whether presidents of the United States

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half of commercial industry.

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appeal to King Fahd —confirmed by both the White House and Saudi offi-

It is an old game for others, notably to France, where for many years the government and the business

er. While lesser American officials had been lobbying the Saudis to give their big jet order to American comallow his name to be used said flatly panies, French President François Mitterrand was personally involved on behalf of the European consorshould descend to playing the role of presidents of Chambers of Comtium that produces the Airbus. But that does not make it accept-

able for America.

U.S. business leaders who once frowned on an activist role for government are now willing to accept a "partnership" with Washington. Thus, the Clinton-Fahd deal is one more boost for the "results-oriented" enthusiasts in the Democratic Party who have lost patience with tradi-

tional free trade approaches.

Naturally, administration officials who will talk about Mr. Clinton's intervention -- only a few will, and then on background - defend it. First, as they see it, he was successful where Mr. Bush struck out, because

nese government to do something it had no power to do - dictate to its private sector to buy cars and parts. In the Saudi case, Mr. Clinton's argument was "conceptually sensible," because the Saudi government itself was the buyer, and the American product of unquestioned quality.

More significantly, Mr. Clinton's aides see nothing wrong in having the president weigh in, on behalf of the private sector, on what can be defined as "strategic issues."

I think that is entering on a treacherous road. There is no difference between selling cars and selling airplanes -either demeans the presidency. We do not and may never know exactly what Mr. Clinton and King Fahd said to each other. It could be that it is to the American national interest to defend the Saudi monarchy. But the American people ought to know the terms of the barter, if any.

The Washington Post.

## State Governments Should Mind Their Own Business

WASHINGTON — Now it can be told: State governments all over the United States are engaged in bribery on a massive scale.

This cash-for-jobs scandal is perfectly legal. It involves huge tax breaks and subsidies for companies that use the threat of moving or opening elsewhere to extract every last penny from taxpayers. The governors who pay the biggest bribes (or, if you prefer, cave in most abjectly to this extortion) are praised as larsighted advocates of "job

creation" and "economic development."

All right, none of this activity falls into what is conventionally described as a "scandal." But that may be the largest scandal of all.

While we Americans are rightly outraged by illegal payoffs and the illegal use of government funds on behalf of private interests, we have spent the last 20 years or so countenancing "ince that amount to a perversion of both the free enterprise system and democratic government.

States, caught up in the fierce competition for jobs, feel that they have no choice but to play a game which depletes the public treasury and forces higher taxes on the decent souls, including most business people, who would not think of holding the public hostage. And who can really blame companies for squeezing ont every last million if states and cities are willing to let them do it?

Fortunately, some governors are tiring of this cycle. One of them, Jim Edgar of Illinois, a Republican, has launched a personal crusade to encourage states to agree to "nonaggression" pacts designed to "de-escalate the bidding wars."

The first fruits of Governor Edgar's work came at this month's meeting of the National Governors Association, which adopted his "voluntary guidelines" to place limits on how much states would give away in tax breaks and subsidies.

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

The guidelines may have only the most limited practical effect. Mr. Edgar concedes that many states - especially poor ones - will continue to feel that they have no option but to do nearly anything to lure jobs. But the principles Mr. Edgar got the governors to adopt are the right ones.

The Edgar approach asks states to take n broad view of creating "a good business climate." Being friendly to business involves not simply "tax and regulatory policies conducive to growth" but also "quality education and an outstanding transportation system," and job training programs that "bene-fit existing businesses as well as attract new ones." When states do put up money, Mr. Edgar says, they should invest "in people and communities" so

that the effectiveness of public spending is not "wholly dependent on the fortunes of one business." And he suggests that companies which are showered with subsidies but do not live up to their promises "in terms of investment, jobs and pay-

roll" ought to be held accountable.

What makes the campaign especially significant is that Mr. Edgar is a Republican and a friend of business. In fact, he said to an interview that he came to this cause in large part because of com-plaints from business people — the "good corporate citizens," as he put it — who had paid their taxes and contributed to their communities for years. Such people, Mr. Edgar said, were infuriated with the state for giving special breaks to individual companies that were sometimes their fiercest competitors. The policy in effect punished both

small businesses and large corporations that took their civic obligations seriously.

At stake here are not tiny sums. To get Toyota to

build an assembly plant in their state, Kentucky officials offered an estimated \$140 million in incentives. In Mr. Edgar's Illinois, local and state officials eager to keep the headquarters of Sears, Roebuck offered to put up \$61 million to build ighways and improve the site.

Mr. Edgar is glad Sears stayed; it had a long history of creating jobs and paying taxes. But there are limits to how often states can make such deals without declaring their tax systems voluntary.

There are philosophical issues in this battle.

They are rooted in the success that advocates of

supply-side economics had to selling the idea that there was no problem, economic or social, that could not be solved by cutting taxes on someone. Supply-siders were at least consistent. They favored across-the-board income and capital gains tax cuts, not individually tailored breaks. But the

view that the only thing government can do to spur growth is to cut tax rates ignores the practical ings that governments have always done to create wealth and help communities prosper. The low-tax, propaganda side of supply-side economics has obscured its real contribution. which was to push economists and policymakers to re-examine the factors that make individuals, companies and sectors of the economy more produc-

tive. They include the very things Mr. Edgar says government should help provide - among them better schools, better transportation systems, bet-ter job training, improved public safety.

That is why state and local governments should get out of the cutthroat competition in tax breaks

and subsidies and compete instead on providing what they are supposed to provide: better govern-ment. It is an old-fashioned idea, but it just might be good for everybody's business.

The Washington Post.

## Young, Gullible and Taught to Hate

This Isn't the '60s, but Who Knows?

By Bob Herbert

abama, was bombed, And Ameri-

cans were astonished by photos of a

Buddhist monk who had set himself

aflame to protest the regime of Ngo

Nevertheless it was a great time to be young in America. More young-

sters than ever were graduating from

high school and going on to college. The economy was surging, Jobs were plentiful. Political leadership was

young and exciting and pointing toward a glorious future. America was

putting men into space and sending

young people abroad in the Peace Corps. Optimism ruled.

rights movement was seen in a posi-

tive light. The victims were martyrs,

battle for justice and equality. When

protesters locked arms and sang "We Shall Overcome," there was never any doubt in their minds that

they would. You had to be weird in

those days to believe that progress

was not a permanent state of affairs.

Thirty years later, young people still manage to be optimistic, but it's harder now. In 1993 you can

come out of college laden with de-

erees and still have to struggle to

find work. "I have to stay in school

because there are no jobs available,"

says Jack Mortell, a senior at the

University of Hartford, in Connect-

icut, who hopes to go on to law

the mourned but necessary casus ties of the increasingly successful

Even the bloodshed of the civil

Dinh Diem in Saigon.

By Morris Dees

MONTGOMERY, Alabama — The white supremacist movement in the United States wears a new and terrifying face. You could see it in the photographs about a plot foiled in Los Angeles to murder Roduey King, kill worshipers in a black church, bomb Jewish leaders and synagogues, and assassinate black enter-

tainers and sports figures.

The police say that this hellish scenario, intended to ignite a race war, was masterminded by a 20-year-old man - n former Eagle Scout turned neo-Nazi.

The news photos did not show a sullen outcast with a shaved head and bomber jacket or a beer-bellied, shotgun-toting Klansman. He is, in the words of one newspaper, "the epitome of the All-American boy." But be is, to fact, a self-described "skinhead," a member of the growing white supremacist movement that is much more sophisticated than most Americans realize. Neo-Nazi skinheads -- violent, angry, deeply troubled young men and n growing number of young women — are the most dangerous bigots in America today. They operate in at least 30 states; with about 3,500 members, their numbers are small in proportion to the violence they commit. Klanwatch, which I founded in 1979 to monitor white supremacy activities, has documented 25 murders by skinheads since 1988.

Psychologists say these young haters generally come from deeply troubled, dysfunctional families and are fundamentally damaged long before they swing their first baseball bat at someone or plant their first pipe bomb. Vulnerable but streetwise youngsters looking for an excuse to fight, they are easy prey for older white supremacist leaders who cynically offer n sense of family

and purpose - along with a hate-filled ideology. The old-mard armchair extremists have no intention of being anywhere near the front lines if a "racial holy war" ever occurs. But they actively recruit impres sionable teenagers who take their message to heart and act on it. And if a skinhead kid gets caught, the hate movement's elders are quick with their denials. Several established hate groups, like White Aryan

N EW YORK — Each decade the memories become more

vague, but with the release of new papers on the Kennedy assassina-tion and this weekend's 30th anni-

versary observance of the March on Washington, 1963 is in the news

terback, was supposed to have been on the cover of Life magazine that

last week in November, but his pho-

to had to be pulled and replaced by

from Little Rock, Arkansas, re-

called in a recent magazine inter-

view that she was the person sched-

uled to address the crowd at the

Lincoln Memorial immediately af-

ter Martin Luther King's "I Have a

Dream" speech. "They were ap-plauding so wildly," she said. "No nne could hear me. No one was

listening to me ... At the end of

my two minutes. I realized that no

It was an extraordinary time. The

transition from the '50s to the '60s

was accelerating but was not yet complete. Miniskirts, flower chil-

dren, the big Vietnam buildup,

black power were all still to the future. In 1963 the baby boomers

were in the early stages of their

extended adolescence. They would

The turmoil was already under

way. The civil rights leader Medgar

Evers was shot to death in Jackson, Mississippi. Four black girls — three teenagers and an 11-year-old — were killed when the 16th Street

one heard a word I said."

be heard from shortly.

Daisy Bates, a civil rights leader

a portrait of the slain president.

ashington, 1963 is in the news, Roger Staubach, the Navy quar-

Resistance (known as WAR) and the Church of the Creator, have been recruiting skinheads for several years. Members of both groups figured prominently to the recently uncovered race war plots on the West Coast. National leaders of both groups denied any

While the law enforcement agencies involved in investigating this conspiracy are to be commended, it will take more than arrests to stop skinhead violence. Until recently, skinhead violence was raudom and impulsive, mostly street crime targeting the nearest minority person. But their international counterparts have waged terrorist campaigns against immigrants and other minorities for at least two years. It may only be a matter of time before another race war scheme is hatched by American white supremacists.

We at the Southern Poverty Law Center fight white upremacists with civil suits. In 1990 we sued Tom Metzger and his White Aryan Resistance over the beating to death of n black man in Portland, Oregon. The jury found the WAR leader liable and awarded \$12.5 million to the victim's family. But, as important and gratifying as such victories are, they do not halt the hate.

The nation today is torn with bigotry and racial strife. Hate crimes are at an all-time high, and there is too much loose talk that blames immigrants and nonwhites for the economic difficulties that the country faces at the end of the Cold War.

The Southern Poverty Law Center began a projec in 1991 called Teaching Tolerance. Its aim provide educators with ready-to-use materials that promote interracial and intercultural understanding eginning in kindergarten. We urgently need to reach students with messages of humanity before the mes-sages of hate take root.

Law enforcement and the law center will continue to fight organized hate groups in the courts. But the real victory, the only one that can last, must be won in the hearts of young people.

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Sean Downs, a senior at Baruch College in Manhattan, says: "I bave

it worse than my parents. They got married young, Mom didn't work and they bought n house at the age

of 25. I doubt I'll even buy a new

car by then." Bu is be optimistic?

Oh, yes. "Because I won't stop until

I get what I want."
Optimism may be more essential

now than ever. In the inner cities,

young people whose futures were

supposed to have been assured by the successes of the civil rights movement are faced with the daily

bloodshed of life to the neighbor

hood. As they dodge bullets, fend off drug dealers and attend the fu-

nerals of their peers, inner city youngsters have to draw on excep-

tional reserves of optimism just to imagine making it into adulthood.

As for political leadership, young

people seem unimpressed. A repre-

sentative view was expressed by Jo-

anne Dionisu, a 24-year-old finan-cial analyst from Paramus, New

Jersey: "I feel our political leaders

are not competent and that they are out to help themselves and their own

careers, forgetting about the major

Creative approaches to the enor-

mous problems of the 1990s seem to

be in short supply. But young peo-ple are weird; they don't need rea-sons to be optimistic. In the 1960s,

it was the young people, fired by energy and enthusiasm and opti-

mism, who rose up and took the

country in a new direction. Perhaps

The New York Times

it will be the same in the '90s.

issues facing the country."

## The Challenge of Covering Today's Inscrutable China By Gerald Segal

the nature of the changes there is making matters even worse. The reporting of China, much like China itself, needs to be modernized. To begin with, there are problems

with unreliable data. William Pfaff argued on this page on July 26 that regular currency de-valuations have meant that the dollar value of China's GDP has not in-creased much. But the IMF has argued that, based on calculations of purchasing power parities (PPP). China's economy is nearly three

times the size we once thought. We are only now evolving more efficient tools for valuing economies to the developing world. The fact that Chinese growth is so concentrated in coastal regions and that regional leaders are locked to a struggle with Beijing about how much revenue they have to remit makes the problem of assessing data especially difficult.

We have yet to modernize our ideas about such vital issues as China's defense spending. If it is correct, as Hong Kong China watchers suggest, that the enterprises owned by the armed forces produce profits equivalent to the official defense budget, and that the defense hudget is half hidden in other parts of the state accounts, then PPP figures produce a Chinese defense budget in excess of \$40 billion and approaching the world's second largest.

But before jumping to conclusions, consider the notoriously unreliable data from the arms trade. The Stockholm International Peace Research Institute and the U.S. Congressional Research Service have just released annual reports on arms sales, with the former ranking China as fourth largest in the world and the latter placing China virtually off the list of major suppliers. Unreliable reports and po-litical manipulation of data make it impossible to be sure of any conclusion on China's arms export strategy. And all those wild stories about great Chinese arms imports from Rus-

LONDON—China has long been a Russia's official report to the United Nations Arms Register notes only the sale of 26 Su-27 fighter aircraft and 144 aviation missiles. What happened to the thousands of tanks and dozens more aircraft? Well, China has agreed this year to import 2,000 tanks, but they are 30-year-old T-62s, useful for

parts and scrap metal. There is also still a tendency to treat China as a story that can be covered from Beijing. But in an economy and society where power is being rapidly decentralized, journalists, officials and academics can no longer get by reading the papers or talking to their usual contacts in Beijing's ministries. Real economic data, assuming it is to be had anywhere, is best had closer to the sources of economic dynamism in coastal China. Local leaders lie to pro-vincial leaders who in turn lie to Beijing, all for the sake of keeping most of the profits out of the hands of higher levels of bureaucrats.

One can no longer be a China watcher and travel only to Beijing. The real social and economic changes are to be found in the regions, and the stories are harder to assess as China becomes more complex.

The government has grown espe-cially sensitive about the reporting of regionalism and its implications. Many journalists have been frustrated by petty and arbitrary restrictions. It is a matter of concern that many Western governments appear more tolerant of China's totimidation of foreign journalists than they were in the days of the former Soviet Union.

For governments, a more differenti-ated China implies a need for more travel by embassy staff and eventually for more consulates around the country, which is expensive. But failure to take a more nuanced view of China will be at the cost of accurate reporting of China - which is perhaps soon to have the world's largest economy.

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#### sia are proving to be simply wrong. International Herald Tribune.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Rags and Cholera

LONDON - In the House of Commons yesterday [Aug. 25] Mr. Mac-dona asked the President of the Local Government Board whether the prohibition of the importation of rags, enacted last year, was on Aug. 9 revoked, and if so what other precautions the Local Government Board proposed to take to prevent the spread of cholera and other noxious diseases. Mr. Fowler said that the order had been revoked, and in revoking it the board acted on the advice of the Medical Department. Mr. Macdona asked if there had not been several cases of cholera since the revocation. Mr. Fowler said the department were sware of none.

#### 1918: Gorki Wants Out

AMSTERDAM - A despatch from Moscow to the Weser Zeitung, dated Aug. 24, says: Maxim Gorki, who has regained his health, intends to relinquish the editorship of the "Novaia at least that much.

Jizn" and to leave Russia. It is rumored, however, that the Govern-ment will refuse him a passport.

#### 1943: Mountbatten's Men

OTTAWA — [From our New York edition:] Lord Louis Mountbatten, forty-three-year-old leader of Great Britain's famed Commandos, has been named supreme Allied commander in Southeast Asia for the conduct of operations against Japan, it was announced tonight [Aug. 26]. He will have formidable forces under his command - American and Chinese as well as British, Indian and Canadian. A vast army has been training in India for months for the obvious purpose of regaining the use of the Burma Road toto China, thus clearing the way for shipment of military supplies to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's forces. When the Burma blow will be struck is anyone's guess, but the monsoon season will not and until October, delaying it

## school. Still, when asked if he is optimistic, he replies, "Yes, very." Baptist Church in Birmingham, Al-مرك احت الأصار

## Even the Teachers Don't Trust Public Schools

S AN DIEGO — In November, Cali-fornia, frequent incubator of Ameri-ca's future, will conduct o vote eclipsing in importance last year's banal presidential choice. If passed, Proposition 174 will offer parents youthers worth at least balf the cost of educating a child in o public school (currently \$5,200) and redeemable as private school tuition. If the chosen school costs less than \$2,600, the saving can be used for subsequent

grades, or for college.
Private schools often get better results (gauged by test scores and graduation rates) than public schools, but cost less per pupil than public schools. So the larger the number of Californians who would use Proposition 174 vouchers to choose private schools, the more the state would save. Furthermore, Proposition 174 would spur creation of schools at o time when California's burgeoning school-age population requires, if class sizes are to be maintained, creation of o

600-pupil school every day for 10 years. Inflation-adjusted public education spending per pupil has about doubted every 20 years since 1945. San Diego teachers' salaries doubted in the last decade, and top administrators average

\$90,000 a year. Many who supported forced husing in produce racial balance were liberals with children in private schools; many who oppose making school choice avail-able to all parents are themselves parents choosing private schools (the Clin-

tons, for example).
Nationwide, about half of all urban ublic school teachers with school-age children send their children to private schools. If (the data are being compiled) the percentage of California public school teachers sending their children away from public schools is higher than the percentage of the general population doing so, supporters of Propositioo 174

By George F. Will

the public schools that voters ought to bear in mind in November?

Opponents of Proposition 174 have sunk to what can best be called boring bysteria. For example, Kathleen Brown, the Democrats' probable gubernatorial nominee, warns darkly that a "witches" coven" is talking about starting a school funded by Proposition 174 vouchers. And a hysteria-monger on the side of the California Teachers Association says that in private schools "a science course could be teaching kids how to make Molotov cocktails

Actually, what the union calls "unregulated and unaccountable voucher schools" would not be immune from state regulation, and would be accountable to empowered parents who could remove their children from schools with

can ask: What do teachers know obout education's existing semi-monopoly-the public schools that voters ought to many parents have no alternative to public schools teaching sexual "responsibility" (as defined by condom-pushing "experts"), environmental "responsibility" (as defined by people who think Al Gore is a scientist) and multicultural "sensitivity" (as defined by whatever recial, sexual or ethnic faction has captured the curriculum).

Del Weber, president of the teachers union, warns that private school teachers are subject to fewer credentialing requirements than public school teachers. Ken Khachigian, strategist for the pro-174 campaign, replies that the pub-ike school system produces lower results with its higher credentials, so in what

sense are they "higher"?
The National Education Association, the California association's national



most politically aggressive union. At last year's Democratic convention about one-eighth of the delegates were NEA members. The California union tried to block a vote on Proposition 174 because "there are some proposals that are so evil that they should never even be presented to the voters." This autumn the California union will spend lavishly to spread bysteria — witches' covens, Molotov cocktails, whatever - about the

"evil" of parental choice. Although the National Education As-sociation claims not to know how much state and local organizations like the California association spend on politics, Forbes magazine, extrapolating from spending in four representative states, estimates that at least \$16 million is spent annually. Almost that much may be spent in California in support of what Forbes calls the NEA's "Brezhnev dootrine" - socialism, in the form of government control of education, may not

be rolled back anywhere. But Californians have noticed the perverse correlation: increasing NEA arro-gance and increasing spending on public education coinciding with a decline in educational quality. And Californians can take lawmaking into their own hands. In 1978 they slashed property taxes with Proposition 13, thereby preseging the 1980 election results. The NEA is terrified that Proposition 174, another blow against government's self-aggrandizing grip oo society, may have a similar national resonance.

Mr. Khachigian thinks that if his side is outspent by "only" 3 to 1, Proposi-tion 174 will pass. The NEA asserts that permitting parental choice will devastate public education. Mr. Khachigian can rest his case on that assertion, the NEA's damning assessment of public education

Washington Post Writers Group.

## To Help You Brace for Re-entry

B OSTON — There was a Catskill comedian who used to tell a story about his first time away from home and home cooking. After a week in army boot camp his stomach started to feel funny. He was convinced that something was terribly wrong with his digestive system, and perhaps

his entire body. Well, after much medical consultation, the problem was diagnosed. For

#### MEANWHILE

the first time in his life be wasn't suffering from heartburn.

I think about him every summer

during the dangerous season of vacations. People, even presidents, get away from the office for a week or two. and if they're oot careful, they lose

They wake up in the morning and feel funny. They realize that some-thing is missing. Where has the stiffness in the neck gone? What happened to that old familiar stress burking in the right quadrant of the brain?

They go through the ebecklist of personal items that are lost. The ironclad hinges that huld the jaw tight have let go and their teeth aren't doing the midnight shift of grinding. The tension band around the eyebrows has released its death grip.

It becomes clear too that the medi-

cine cabinet has stayed untouched for days. The symptoms bave disop-peared. The symptom-bearers are feel-ing abnormal. Abnormally well. Suddenly, the bio is feeding back subversive messages that say that un-work may be good for them. It begins

to seep around the edges of their con-

By Ellen Goodman

sciousness that maybe the work ethic is not the same as the pleasure princi-ple. It occurs to them that if labor was all it's cracked up to be, we wouldn't celebrate Labor Day with a day off; we would celebrate with overtime.

At this point in the season, any sensible adult with a decent job, a refinanced house, a nonvested pension plan, and a primal fear of ending up on a sidewalk with a shopping cart begins to panic. The cause: re-entry phobia. For this reason, as a public service,

have assembled o handy reference sheet to grasp all during vacation. Lest we forget, lest we fear, this is in help us remember what is normal in the everyday workeday world.

Normal is ... being awakened in the digital dawn by a radio playing a reveille of murder, mayhem, rock roll and ocws of the latest failed foreign policy.

Normal is ... saying the same six

ords to your children before the 7:30 A.M. school bus: Hurry up, bur-

ry up, hurry up.

Normal is getting dressed in clothes that you buy for work, driving through traffic in a car that you are siil paying for, to get to the job that you need so you can pay for the clothes, car and, especially, the house that you leave empty all day in order to afford to live in it.

Normal is ... following a time plan that requires you to eat breakfast before you want it because otherwise you might be bungry for lunch before you can break for it.

Normal is ... spending all day in

a sick building with windows that do not open and a thermostat that is seasonally dysfunctional, in order to make the environment consistently comfy and user-friendly for the main-

Normal is ... solving complex emotional problems of sibling rivalry and adolescent moral dilemmas of right and wrong in three-minute telephone segments in midafternoon un-der the disapproving eye of o supervisor who lives alone with a parakeet for

which be has health insurance. Normal is ... socializing by electronic mail with friends who work no

more than 30 feet away.

Normal is ... being required to wear a beeper so that your boss can call you out of an important meeting at the critical point in order to find out

how it's going.
Normal is ... sitting at a desk all day, under artificial light, eating ma-chine food, hemmed in by four walls. with o plastic plant, a telephone, a Rolodex, a sense of dejà vu and a manager who says you better start "thinking outside the envelope."

And of course, normal is ... being

grateful for your job because in two more years, if they don't downsize or move the office to Singapore, if the company isn't bought out, the technology hasn't become obsolete, and the entire work force hasn't been put on part-time, you will be enotled to three weeks off.

Now, there, don't you feel it? That old burning sensation creeping up the digestive tract. This vacation too shall pass. Pretty soon everything will be

The Boston Globe.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### A Farewell to Arms

Aug. 6 passed almost unnoticed this year, although it marked 48 years since the first atomic bomb laid waste the Japa-nese city of Hiroshima and forever

changed the world. For more than four decades countless politicians and Cold Warriors have stressed how "blessed" we are to bave "peacekeeping" nuclear weapons. The reality, however, has been a constant state of war, both hot and cold, with some 20 million people - mostly civilians — slaughtered in more than 100 major wars across the globe. So much for nuclear weapons keeping the peace!

Letters intended for publication should be addressed "Letters to the Editor" and contain the writer's signature, name and full address. Letters should be brief and are subject to editing. We cannot be responsible for the return of unsolicited manuscripts.

Moreover, exhausting trillions of dollars on militarism has created o world of inexcusable poverty and critical envi-ronmental problems left largely unat-tended. And yet today the plague of militarism continues to grow, as is evident from Bosnia to Angola,

We are rapidly running out of time with our weapons obsession, yet the arms industry and the military are determined to keep the war business in business. Military budgets remain ridicu-lously high. And, although the United States is already the world's leading weapons seller, arms manufacturers want government-guaranteed loans to expand sales on the world market.

It is long past time for us to take to the receitops and shour, "Enough!" The per-verted thinking that has militarized the planet cannot work for the 21st century. The war business must be put out of business; the merchants of death retired.

The task is to reshape the global political structure: to place strict limits on national sovereignty and to settle dis-putes between nations by world law

through o strengthened and democratized United Nations. This requires that we advance from parochial nationalism, racism, religious separatism and other forms of tribalism, to act as responsible citizens of the world. Only then can we end the war business, and make more Hiroshimas not only impossible, but

> DOUGLAS MATTERN. President, Association of World Citizens.

#### Lessons of History

often than not, linguistic change

occurs because of trade, wars, con-

quests, alliances, natural disasters

Languages, in truth, are rich with examples of linguistic borrowing and every leacher of linguistics has

his or her favorite story on this.

centuries of hemispheric history,

ended up in the mouths of French

trappers in the bayou of Louisiana

as lagniappe, "gratuity" or "tip" — o word you will not find in any stan-

Apart from such trivia, Burgess

does the hard work of describing

the blocks and tools of the linguist. He outlines phonology — the "buzzes, hisses and bangs" of lan-

guage. He summarizes morphology
—the way a language "puts sounds
on the road." He plunges into the
transient "science" of semantics,

telling anecdotes as he goes. ("Ter-mination with extreme prejudice."

for all its blandness, is CIA-speak

dard dictionary of French.

or migrations.

The League of Nations collapsed after it failed to act when Mussolini's Italy invaded Ethiopia. World War II fol-lowed the appearement of Nazi Germaoy's aggression in annexing Austria and the Sudetenland. Chamberlain's "peace

Palo Alto, California.

in our time" became a tragic joke. Supposedly we learn from history. I say supposedly because it seems that too

Mine has always been the brave. Vowel Shift (although it took two peregrinations of the bitde linea word yapa, "addition." The noun was carried north by the conquistadors as la napa, "something extra," and, after hish must became "mouse." Among hish must became "mouse." Among hish must became af the limiting the

of the lessons. What is happening in the former Yugoslavio is making o grim joke of European unity. Europe must bear most of the blame, but it must be shared by all members of the United Nations.

United for what? The leaders of the European Community are either ignorant of history or to be blunt — cowards.

WILLIAM A. HARPER.

#### East and West in Bosnia

I read with some amazement Ramses Nassif's letter, "A Light on the Refu-

goes" (Aug. 3).
The United States, Britain and France are oot responsible for the atrocities taking place in Bosnia-Herzegovina. The French and the British governments were among the first to provide military contingents and have given exemplary assistance in protecting humanitarian operations, keeping the warring factions many politicians appear to be ignorant . apart in dangerous situations.

And in a 10-page survey, Burgess

Ferdinand de Saussure, Nikolas

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Cloude Levi-Strauss, Leonard

Bloomfield and Noam Chomsky.

Along the way, he describes the exciting bits of linguistic study:

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graphs developed as inscriptive

metaphors. "Not" in written Chi-

nese, for example, was conceived as a plant with a line above it; the

plant strains in grow, but the line

prevents it. This, says Burgess, "is a little poem of negativeness, o meta-

And Chinese orthography does more work than most. No matter

what obscure dialect of Chinese

you speak -there is a vast babel of

mutually unintelligible Sino-Tibet-

an tongues — if you can write you can communicate.

English, adds Burgess, has be-come like Chinese in that it has had

to serve many spoken forms. The written word "bird," for instance, serves a multiplicity of pronuncia-oons from Brooklyn to Liverpool

In separate chapters Burgess dis-sects English, Russian and Malay, as well as Teutonic and Laun lan-

guages, but his descriptions are su-perficial and quick — light enough

not in bore, but telegraphic enough sometimes to confuse. Ultimately, we are bound by the particulars of Burgess' experience. Like him, his book is a very British teacher. And

it is limited by the individual lan-

guages Burgess knows best: Rus-sian, Malay, Welsh, some Latin

languages here and there. Burgess amiably bumbles his way through

Japanese, but his coverage is awk-

phor of notness.

So far, and after many meetings among the Muslim countries, the help provided by them is nothing compared with that of Western nations.

Military involvement of Western powers can only add to the destruction and killing of innocent people, jeopardizing the bumanitarian operations that so far have saved thousands of lives.

If at all, one ought to salute the courage and determination of the leaders of the Western democracies for the immense sacrifices they have made, and continue to make, in ex-Yugoslavia.

#### A. K. SADRY.

India and the UN The proposition that "India belongs in the UN Security Council" (Opinion, July 17) may be a suitable topic for debate in the secondary schools of that country. It is oot a point of view that can be seriously considered. However, as you have seen fit to publish S. Nihal Singh's opinion, a rejoinder is occessary.

India has fought several major wars with Pakistan and is in breach of UN Security Council resolutions on Kashmir. More Indian-Pakistani wars are to be expected in future, and the Security Council might have to intervene. It would cripple the council's effectiveness

to have India as a permanent member with veto power. India's claim to a seat must be treated with the same seriousness as would a claim by fsrael or Serbia. By its cooduct toward its neighbors, India has shown an inability to cope with the responsibilities of power. India gobbled up Sikkhim, and has relentlessly interfered in the affairs of Nepal and

moralizing when it suits its purposes. But the idea that India represents a moral force is laughable. Finally, India is widely distrusted in the rest of Asia. If we oeed another Asian seat on the Security Council, In-

Sri Lanka. India is self-righteous and

donesia would be my choice. MARTIN SALGADO. Makati, Philippines.

#### The Price of Freedom

Regarding "Questions Foster Left Be-hind Are Worth Pursuing" (Opinion, Aug.

13) by William Safire: The mark of a true democracy is a free press. Any disagreeable excesses are the price of a free press and are clearly worth paying. Unfortunately, the price

of William Safire's article is an example. In Mr. Salire's litary of questions, which takes up 90 percent of his article, there is not one question about the press and its potential role in Vincent Foster's death. Not one question of the press's hypocritical purity as it casually commits public figures to the political obitu-

Mr. Safire's barrage of questions proves that the best defense is a good offense (with his not-so-subtle finish that 8 of 10 suicides are not driven by external -read the press - pressures). Investigative reporting is nice, but journalistic humility should not be an oxymoron.

MARC ST. JOHN.

#### **BOOKS**

A MOUTHFUL OF AIR: Burgess began his career as a politics and history have had a proges, Langu

. . . Especially English By Anthony Burgess. 416 pages.

Reviewed by

Marie Arana-Ward A CCORDING to Homer, "The tongue of man is a twisty thing." And so it would seem in o world where the buman race jabbers at itself in more than 2,000 languages. From the thatched-roof shaponos of the Brazilian rain forest to the noisy noodle shops of Tianjin, man's tongue over the milnia has produced a pandemonium of sound. And yet, although languages appear daunting in their diversity, they are also remarkable for their regularity. As Herculean a task as at is, a student of linguistics sets out to make the contrasts and connections - in short, to analyze

bow all languages behave. The product of a passionate linguist, "A Mouthful of Air" is oot about those emblems of sound that live in books as literature, eminently memorizable but ultimately as frozen in time as a bug in amber. Language, writes Anthony Burgess. is primarily so much air. a mouthful at a time, modified by contortions . . . impermanent, evanes-cent, highly changeable, but it is the primary reality, while writing and printing are of a secondary

order.".
Shunning the concept of language as totem, then, Burgess ot-tempts to beguile the reader of this book with the raptures of language as process. He does so with all the endearing relish and clatter of a slightly moonstruck professor who has decided to cover the whole of civilization in the space of a twoand has gooe on to produce a prodigious body of work: 32 novels (among them, "A Clockwork Or-ange," 1962), countless musical compositions (full-blown symphonies as well as jazz), and 16 works of nonfiction on numerous subjects. Despite his polymathic range, however, Burgess is at beart a loyal laborer in the mines of linguistics, a tireless buoter of that fecund yet

clusive faculty that separates man from beast. In "A Mouthful of Air" Burgess begins by setting out the most prized of linguistic tenets: that there is no such thing as a "primi-tive" language. Even so-called backward peoples (he cites Eskimos as an example) have highly sophisticated languages, and even though Finnish has a literature and Yanomana does not, the Finns cannot claim that they have a "better system. Equally, if English is more widely spoken than Basque, it does not follow that it is inherently superior to Basque. That business of prevalence and superiority is the

stuff of politics and opportunity, And yet, as Burgess describes, for killing.)

• Robert Taylor, an American banker with Merrill Lynch in Berlin is reading "A Suitable Boy" by Vikram Seth. "I'd heard it was the War and

Peace' of the 1990s and am spending the summer working my way through the 1.349-page tome. It pricks up my understanding of Indian social history after the British



(Michael Kallenbach, IHT)

By Alan Truscott SK yourself this question: A What is the most unusual contract in bridge, disregarding doubles and redoubles? One answer is five no-trump. Another is one club. Impossible? Not qoite, as the diagramed deal shows. It occurred in

the Green Point Pairs at the East-ern Regionals in Manhattan in em regionals in Mannattan m May. This was played with table screens; and the West player. Da-vid Berkowitz, could see South but not the other two players. He doubled the strong one-club bid, in his methods showing two suits, either both black suits or both red suits. After a pass on his left, he awaited developments from the other side of the bidding screen. To his astonishmeot, somebody said, "Your lead." The East player, Larry Cohen, had made a penalty pass of the double and South had made a quixotic decision to stick it

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Neither side was vulnerable. The

Pass

**BRIDGE** Berkowitz had to lead against and shifted to his singleton heart, one strong artificial chih for the South won in dummy and led the first time in his life. He selected a spade queen for finesse. This lost to trump, the usual choice when partthe king and the defense took a ner has made a penalty pass of a heart ruff. East and West now led double, and East won with the king diamonds and hearts alternately.

WHAT THEY BE READING

diamond tricks and a spade trick. score. Some North-South pairs went down three in four bearts, but they were not doubled. South was Air," talk cooks up far more. left to reflect that those who play one club forcing are not well ad-vised to stop in that contract.

diamonds and bearts alternately, and South was helpless. East had scored tricks with all his five trumps, and West had taken three That was down three and a top of course we see the sense of that statement. But as Burgess amply demonstrates in "A Mouthful of

These are quibbles, however, in a work that struggles nobly to keep the study of linguistics alive. If Burgess means this to be 'a gentle rap on the door of linguistic knowledge," he produces a more vigorous sound than that. An old Chinese proverb has it that "Talk does not cook rice," and

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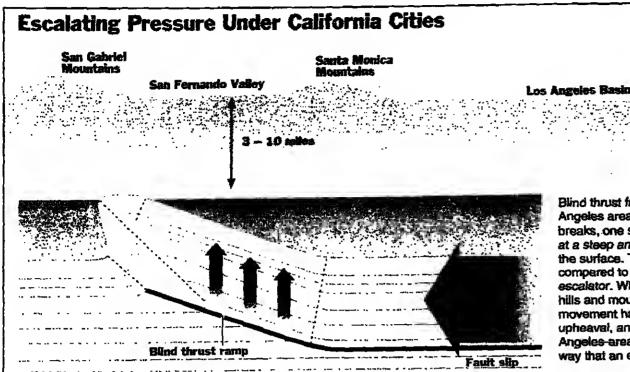
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Blind thrust faults are hidden under the Los Angeles area. When a blind thrust fault breaks, one side moves up over the other at a steep angle, focusing energy toward the surface. The motion has been compared to the rising steps of an escalator. When such a fault moves slowly, hills and mountains form. A quick movement has the potential for a great upheaval, and geologists say the Los Angeles area faults are aligned in such a way that an explosive quake is possible.

Palos Verdes

## Hidden Faults, a New California Peril

By Sandra Blakeslee New York Times Service

OS ANGELES - Buried deep beneath the freeways, shopping malls and luxurious homes of Los Angeles there lies a network of faults that could literally turn parts of this city upside

The faults are oriented in such a way that should they suddenly snap and produce a large earthquake, energy would be focused upward, moving like rockets fired from millions of submerged submarines. Objects and people directly overbead would be lifted joto the air, momentarily weightless, as the earthquake waves shuddered past.

The faults are called blind thrusts. They are "blind" because they do not break through to the surface, and scientists cannot see them directly. They are thrusts because when they break, one side of the fault moves up over the other at a steep angle, focusing energy toward the surface. Mountains, hills, folds and scarps are formed in the process.

Thrust faults tend to focus energy directly toward the surface, said Dr. David Schwartz, a researcher at the United States Geological Survey in Menlo Park, California. If enough energy is released, people and objects over-come the earth's gravitational field and rise into the air, weightless. During the 1971 Sylmar earthquake in the San Fernando Valley, earthquake researchers say, a fire truck before plopping back down.

On the other hand, the faults may slip gradually so that energy is released upward ever so slowly, giving geotle birth to hills like those that dot the Los Angeles hasin. Ma-lihu, Beverly Hills and the Hollywood Hills are all products of hlind-thrust faults.

Geologists call it the "Los Angeles earthquake dilemma" and among geophysical problems, it is a big one. Experts agree that there are major faults under the city, but they do not know how dangerous they are, when they last broke and how hig an earthquake, if any, they could produce.

So each day for the last couple of years, local scientists have, like so many ants crawling over the lid of a closed honey pot, fanned out over the basin in search of answers. They are measuring infinitesimal ground motions, peering into excavations freshly cut for storm sewers and underground parking lots, and examining oil seeps in Malibu and Beverly Hills.

They are also "thumping" surface streets to obtain socographic images of the earth's crust. Thumpers are essentially flat-bottomed jackhammers that send sound waves 3 to 6 miles (about 6 to 10 kilometers) down, Listening devices called geophones pick up the reflected sound waves, whose patterns reveal geologic structures.

Plans are afoot to run thumpers down several residential streets in Santa Monica and, if permission can be obtained, to close some freeway sections in the wee hours of the

In a similar experiment scheduled for October, scientists plan to set off 60 underground explosions along a 100-mile line through the Los Angeles region. Reflected waves should provide images of buried

An even larger experiment, planned for next year, involves firing an air gun off the

'Blind thrust' faults focus energy and could hurl people and objects into the air.

coast and capturing reflected waves from the earth's crust. The researchers hope to get a good view of structures under the transverse mountains north of Los Angeles.

"These blind-thrust faults under LA are five miles dowo," Dr. Schwartz said, "You really can't put your bands on them. Just defining where they are and their extent relies oo modeling and a lot of interpreta-

"We are in a funny position of saying to people, Look, we have this hazard here but we don't know the size of it, we don't know how often it moves and we don't know its geometry. It's a scary structure, if it exists.

morrow or in a thousand years. It's not a very

satisfying answer, but that's where we are."
With this uncertainty in mind, the Southern California Earthquake Consortium was established two and a half years ago with funds from the National Science Foundation. Scientists from a dozen institutions are trying to assess the buried faults and advise local disaster-preparedness officials about

Dr. Thomas Henyey, the program's direc-tor and a geology professor at the University of Southern California, said, "We've been slow to realize that the earthquake hazard in southern California involves more than the San Andreas fault," The fault traverses unpopulated areas east and north of Los Angeles. While the San Andreas is expected to produce a devastating magnitude 8 earthquake in coming years, he said, the Los Angeles basin lies over a convergence zone - a complicated geologic region that could produce a smaller but more damaging magnitude-7 earthquake amid populated areas.

Not all earthquake experts agree that the buried faults are very dangerous.

"There's a certain amount of mob bysteria among scientists in southern California, said Dr. Allan Lindh, chief seismologist at the United States Geological Survey in Menlo Park. "There are jillions of convergence zones with basins near them from Burma to Spain and no evidence that any of these has produced a magnitude-7 earthquake," he said. "The real threat to LA is the San give you a probability. It could happen to- asteroid or n car."

# Peru's Looted Heritage

By Nathaniel C. Nash :

OMAS DE LACHAY, Peru -Two hours north of Lima, a dirt road off the main highway runs into the desert, past a chicken farm and up to a series of rounded hills. At the base of the hills, in an area the size of a football field, the ground is pockmarked with holes, about 12 feet (almost 4 meters) deep.

Strewn around are pieces of ancient portery and fragments of human bones from the Chancay culture, which flourished between 700 and 1400 — worthless items diggers left behind. In the holes are the remains of passages and burial chambers that have nearly been demolished.

Gone are any pieces that can be sold to tourists, antiquities dealers or collectors in Lima. Also gone is most of the evidence that would help scientists better understand this complex civilization

"They pulled some good pieces out of there just yesterday," said a passer-by who would not give his name. "They said they found some big ceramics."

Lomas de Lachay is one of thousands of places in Peru where looters are excavating ancient ruins, erasing archaeological evidence, and then selling the country's cultural heritage at an alarming rate, faster

perhaps than in any other country in Latin America. In 1987 the opening by thieves of a spectacular tomb in the north touched off a looting fremay that archaeologists say has increased with Peru's troubled economic condition. Poorly guarded museum have become a target for those seeking to sell antiquities to international collectors, and there has been a rash of burglaries.

And Peruvians can point to the developed countries, like the United States, Japan and those in Western Europe, where rich collectors have created

to stop peasants from plundering sites. Government officials say looters working with collectors in Linn. who in turn work with international investors, have developed sophisticated trafficking networks.

Strapped for cash, the government has aban-doned the care of all but the most famous sites and most valuable antiquities. Officials recently announced that they were studying the possibility of selling the management of Peru's heritage to entre-

For Peru, which along with Mexico has the richest archaeological heritage in all of the Americas, the plundering of such treasures not only communes a historical pattern set 500 years ago by the Spanish, but is also the product of social and economic problems of the late 20th century. Conquerors as small as structures have sensitive because the mellar well as survivors have sought to harvest the golden-riches of societies like the Moche, which Rounahed in the northern coastal desert from about 250 B. C. to A. D. 400; the Nazca culture and its vast complex of mysterious lines etched in the southern Perivian desert; the Tiahuanaco culture around Lake Titicaca, and the country's most dominating civilization, the Inca, whose empire in the 15th century stretched from Venezuela to Patagonia in Argentina.

After five years of deep recession, which has left 70 percent of Peruvians in poverty, the economy is showing only the first signs of recovery. The eco-

nomic strain has led the government and the public to choose development over column preservation.

"It's sad to say, but there is no money, and I doubt there will be any money in the fature."

Pedro Giurinovic, director of the National Institute of Culture, said in an interest with El. Co. title of Culture, said in an interview with El Co-mercio of Lima. "It is now clearly demonstrated that the state has turned its back on the preservation of our patrimony."

# Getting Close to the Bone

has been taking hig steps forward. Re-searchers have devised new bone substitutes with origins as diverse as glass and sea coral. Medical-device companies are rushing to bring more to the estimated \$1 hillion annual market. And while none of the present substitutes is perfect for all applications, research scientists appear to be getting closer to the real thing all the tim

The natural replacement for bone, of course, is bone and the vast majority of bone graft operations stick with Mother Nature. Some bone grafts can be harvested from the patient's own body, from such areas as the iliac crest of the pelvis. But the body does not have all that much spare bone, and the operation to get the bone adds to a patient's pain and recovery time.

Doctors also often can get what they need from bone banks, which get their deposits from cadavers. But the body often rejects foreign bones, And foreign bones can have other problems, such as carrying disease. Several AIDS cases, for example, have been linked to transplanted bone.

Some researchers searching for bone substitutes from outside of the body have looked to the sea. Certain corals resemble the structure of bone to an uncanny degree.

Yes, it would be bad if it moves, but we can't Andreas. It's the difference of being hit by an vests coral (from the genuses Porties and Genipora) equipment.

from the South Pacific and bakes it with other chemi-ASHINGTON — The science of bone cals, transforming the coral's calcium carbonate into bone-like hydroxyapatite. The living bone's cells takeadvantage of the familian porous structure of the implant to begin running vents in, though it is not yet clear how quickly or well the implant is absorbed by the scavenger osteoclasts.

There is at least one drawback; The baked coral is more brittle than the real thing, and cannot bear weight well. Coral is best suited for small patches and facial work

Some scientists have looked to ceramics because of their strength. Maryland-based U.S Biomaterials, building on the research of Larry Hinch of the University of Fiorida, produces a porous glass-like substance that presents a very attractive surface for real bone to bind to, but which does not appear to degrade within the body. Being glass, however, the material is more brittle than bone and is not suitable for weight-bearing (RE:29

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Not every expert is impressed with bone substitutes. Mutaz B. Habal of Tampa, co-author of the book "Bone Grafts and Bone Substitutes," said that surgeons get very excited about new substances, but should be more skeptical. None of the creatz bone combines enough strength and flexibility to equal the threescore and flexibility to equal the



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# The Making of a Male, Gerbil Style

By Natalie Angier

EW YORK — For many a young girl, a childhood spent with brothers has moments of fear and exasperation. Yet the most overbearing human brothers cannot begin to compare with Mongolian gerbils, creatures that can utterly change the fate of their sisters before any of them have even been born.

Scientists studying the blond fuzzy-tailed rodents have discovered that when a female fetus matures in the womb with a male fetus on either side of her, the impact of all those male hormones on her development has a startling consequence: The female grows up and bears litters with a significantly higher proportion of sons than do females who spend their prenatal days sandviched between other female

Nor does the influence of male hormones end with the female gerbil's immediate offspring. In bearing an excessive number of males with each pregnancy, the mother also helps assure that any female she carries is herself likely to be surrounded by males, and hence to be exposed to the high levels of male hormones, or androgens, that will turn her into a vigorous begetter of sons. Gerbils generally have seven to eight pups per litter, and the study showed that those females whose immediate womb mates were males end up producing broods that are about 60 percent male.

The impact of siblings on the rodents' offspring can also work the other way. Female gerbils positioned in the womb between two other females develop in an environment that is especially rich in female hormones, or estrogens, and as a result they end up bearing slightly more females and males. Those females in turn are prone to give birth to females.

The study, appearing in the journal Nature, overturns widespread scienufic assumptions that inherited traits are invariably relayed through the genes.



Scientists study effect of hormones on female gerbils.

"The most important lesson here is that just because you see a physical concordance between mothers and daughters, you can't automati-cally attribute it to genetic factors," said Dr. Mertice M. Clark, a psychologist at McMaster University in Ontario, Canada, the lead author of the new report. "There could be some other mechanism at work." Dr. C ark performed her experiments with Dr. Bennett G. Galef Jr. and Peter Karpluk, also of

McMaster University. Scientists have known for some time that the hormonal environment in which a fetus develops can influence its body, brain and be-havior, but the latest study offers the strongest evidence that hormonal exposure can have an im-

"This is a fascinating study, and a wonderful demonstration of how

ing the new report.

pact lasting many generations.

broad effects on fetal develop-ment," said Dr. John G. Vandenbergh, a zoologist at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, who wrote a commentary accompany-

The discovery also gives scientists a fresh insight into how sex ratios are determined in mammais. For years, researchers have been trying to breed animals that spawn either mainly daughters or mainly sons, but to no avail. That may be because, in seeking a genetic trait associated with a particular sex ratio, the researchers were searching for something that does not exist.

The researchers do not yet un-derstand how hormonal influences during fetal developmental end up affecting the sex ratio of the gerbils'

the female's eggs, changing the membranes and making them more susceptible to penetration either by sperm bearing a Y chromosome he hallmark of maleness - or an

And while the work has no imm diate relevance to people, Dr. Clark and others pointed out that physicians are just beginning to wonder womb to potent hormones may have an impact extending beyond a single generation. For example, the children of mothers in the 1950s and 1960s who took diethylstilbestrol, or DES - a synthetic estrogen while premiant have had a host of health problems, from an increased risk of rare cancers to fertility. As the children of DES children begin reaching reproductive age, it re-mains to be learned whether they may suffer any linguing effectsfrom the medication their grand-mothers had taken.

In experiments performed over the last 15 years on different spe-cies of rodents, Dr. Vandenbergh and many others have observed the startling impact of androgens on female fetuses. Male females begin generating testosterone and related bermones early in development to aid in sculpturing and refining their own masculine forms, but if a female is very close to the male she, too, may be exposed to noticeable amounts of the androgens. Female rats squeezed between brothers end up with brains that are somewhat masculinized, particularly in the certain parts of the hypothalamus. a region known to differ between males and females of many species and now the site of a ferocione. debate over the origins of homosexuality in humans.

The female rodents also end up with a more musculine style of behavior, roaming larger distances and offspring when they reach adult-hood. Scientists propose that an excess of androgens or estrogens are perfectly competent mothers.

#### IN BRIEF

#### Prostate Blood Test Found Useful in Cancer Detection

CHICAGO (AP) - A new study of the effectiveness of a blood test for detecting prostate cancer finds it twice as effective as a physi-

cal exam at finding early malignancies.

More than 10,000 men participated in the study of a test measuring levels of prostate-specific antigen, or PSA, a protein that seeps out of the walnut-size prostate gland if a tumor s present or the gland is enlarged. Elevated PSA levels are a possible indicator of prostate cancer, according to the researchers, led by Dr. William J. Catalona of the Washington Univer-

sity School of Medicine Their study, supported by the company that

makes the PSA test and by the U.S. government, was published in The Journal of the American Medical Association. Before PSA screening was available, nearly 70 percent of cancers detected with the traditional rectal exam were in an advanced stage, Dr. Catalona said, but now 70 percent of prostate tumors were localized when they were diagnosed.

#### Oceans Disperse Heat

Along Density Layers NEW YORK (NYT) - in a study that has implications for the understanding of global climate patterns, marine productivity and the spread of pollution, a team of researchers has shown that the dispersion of heat, salt and other

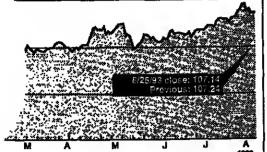
substances in the oceans appears to be dominated by mixing along gently sloping horizontal

By mapping the spread of a nontoxic chemical tracer released about 1,000 feet (300 meters) below the surface of the Atlantic Ocean, researchers from the Plymouth Marine Laboratory in England and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in Massachusetts, showed that the tracer rapidly dispersed along and across the horizontal surface of the targeted density layer. But, in a confirmation of previous estimates, vertical diffusion occurred extremely slowly between density gradients, said one of the researchers, Dr. Andrew J. Watson of the Plymouth Marine Laboratory.

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## **Wanted: Top Executives** With Short-Term Outlook

By Michael S. Malone New York Times Service

OS ALTOS. California — A little-trod career path bred in the technology industry over the last 10 years may yet offer opportunities for the most independent-minded of America's unemployed managers: joining the ranks of "rented execs." But would be rent-execs should be forewarned: the job requires a unique personality and can come with considerable emotional sacrifice.

Typically senior managers, rent-execs have lost interest in the concept of a long-term job at a single company and are bungry for new experiences and indepen-

They may be brought in to work on new companies on the way up, or to help rescue companies on the way down. Or, in the latest developments of a downsizing age, they may be rented by established compaoies to deal with special short-term pro-

Rent-execs are hungry for new experience and independence.

jects.
Said Peter Van Horne, vice president of State of the Art Computing Inc. of San Diego, a company created to manage just such rented technical managers at established companies: "A company has a new product it wants to develop but realizes that by the time it puts together a staff, that product won't reach the market in time. So the company comes to us. We can provide it with a complete product-development team, senior management, a facility, computers, telephones, even a janitorial service."

One rented exec handled by Mr. Van Horne is Jesse B. Hillman. A veteran of IBM who has worked at a number of companies and founded several others, Mr. Hillman, 52, is currently acting director of applications development for Mitchell International Inc., a leading maker of estimating and repair systems for car-repair shops and insurance companies. He works on a month-by-month contract, yet has five managers and 57 employees working for him.

Why? "I get more control over my finances than just a 1040 with a W-2 stapled to it." said Mr. Hillman, referring to U.S. tax forms. Mitchell pays me more per hour than if I were an employee, but it's also not paying my benefits. I'm in the driver's seat on those

Rented execs hired by hot new startups tend to bring a special skill that the entrepreneurial team is missing. In a technology company, this gap is often in sales and marketing. R. Greg Lynott, See NOMAD, Page 11

## RTZ Sells Unit to Caradon

Pillar Interests Go For £800 Million

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - RTZ Corp. announced on Wednesday the long-awaited sale of its Pillar industrial arm to MB-Caradon PLC for £800 million (\$1.2 billion) in cash.

MB-Caradon shares surged as analysts welcomed the deal, finishing 24 pence higher at 336. RTZ shares rose to 710 pence, from 702 on Tuesday.

MB-Caradon will partly fund the deal with a £334 million one-forfour rights issue of stock at 260 pence a share "The rights issue should be

easy," said Gavin Launder, an analyst at Goldman Sachs, because the discount to the share price is about The sale includes most of Pillar's

building-products, electrical and engineering operations. But it excludes Pillar's unprofit-able metals plants in Britain and Tempglass commercial-building products in the United States,

which will be sold later. Pillar's 1992 pretax profit totaled £51.3 million, of which profit from building materials in Europe was £43.9 million. A total of £9.5 million stemmed from North American building-materials operations. Group profit was held back by restructuring and head-office costs, which totaled £25,1 million.

Employing 15,000 people, the part of Pillar bought by Caradon makes 49 percent of its sales in Britain and 43 percent in North America, with most of the remainder coming in Continental Europe.

MB-Caradon, which said it. would now shorten its name to Caradon, had been seeking a sizable acquisition since selling its stake in Carnaud-Metalbox, the British-French packaging company, for £467 million earlier this year.

Its chairman, Anlony Hichens, said, "The Pillar businesses bring MB-Caradon a scale and geographical representation that considerably broaden the opportunities for

the group."

The purchase greatly increases the size of Caradon, which announced a pretax profit of £152.8 million in the first half of 1993, double its earnings in the previous half but including an exceptional of Metalbox.

RTZ's chairman, Sir Derek Birkin, said: "Pillar, though a sound business, oo longer fits within RTZ. Its sale is consistent with RTZ's strategy of concentrating solely on our world-class mining assets, where we have strong competitive advantage."

(Reuters, APF, Bloomberg)

## Rebinding the EC's Core **Balladur and Kohl Try to Bridge Rifts**

By Tom Buerkle

mal Herald Tribuine BRUSSELS - As Prime Minister Edouard Balladur prepared to meet Chancellor Helmut Kohl in Berlin on Thursday, rarely has the European Community needed as much and expected as little from the French-German alliance that embodies their hopes of greater unity.
In the three weeks since France was forced to

effectively float the franc, the two governments' divergent views on economic policy appear to have only hardened. That has cast doubt on the ability of Mr. Balladur and Mr. Kohl to heal the wounds left by the currency crisis and advance Europe's process of economic and political integration. The best outcome of the talks, said one EC Commission official, would be for the two leaders to air their differences and "confirm their support for European integration and the objective of eco-

nomic and monetary union."

The Community is living very dangerously,"
Karel van Miert, the EC competition commission-

er, said Wednesday.

If France and Germany are not able to find common ground in their policies, and fast, he said, Europe risks losing not only its hopes of greater integration in the future but also its biggest evement to date: the single market for goods

"It is hard to predict what is going to happen,"

he said, "but it could go either way."

By resisting the freedom offered by the franc's new, wide trading bands to our French interest rates and spur an economic recovery, Mr. Balladur has clung instead to the remnants of the frame fort, or strong-franc, policy in an effort to keep alive hopes of a single European currency. French officials have indicated they want to restore the narrance to the frame of the franches. row trading bands of the European Monetary System's exchange-rate mechanism as soon as pos-

sible, perhaps by January.

German officials have done little to sustain French hopes. Just last week, Mr. Kohl said the

1999 deadline for a single currency set in the Maastricht treaty on European umon could slip by a couple of years. He ruled out relaxation of the treaty's tough economic criteria for currency

Horst Köhler, who recently stepped down as head of international affairs at the German Finance Ministry, said last week it would be foolish to narrow trading bands within the exchange-rate mechanism until Germany got its inflation under control, not an immediate likelihood.

France's strong-franc policy has left Paris as dependent as ever on the Bundesbank's willingness

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Karel van Miert, EC competition commissioner

to lower its interest rates. That frustrates officials in Brussels who believe the only way to get the single currency plan back on track is through economie growth. France, by virtue of its low inflation rate, has the leeway to cut rates aggres-sively to spur growth, these officials say. Europe cannot rely on the German locomotive, which is strapped by high inflation and an overvalued Deutsche mark, they add.

The risk for Europe, Mr., van Miert said, is that EC countries will go their own way if France and Germany cannot breathe life into plans for currency nion. In a significant sign of the pressure for

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#### France Promises Cut in Personal Taxes

PARIS - Prime Minister Edouard Balladur promised Wednesday to cut personal income taxes, opening a new front in France's fight against

record uncorployment and economic recession.

Mr. Balladur said at a news conference that he planned to reduce income taxes by about 17 billion francs (\$2.9 billion) and would offer tax breaks for home buyers to stimulate consumer spending and economic growth.

The tax cuts were a potentially important new weapon for the five-month-old government, whose economic strategy has relied on lower business charges and falling interest rates to revive the

recessionary economy.

Mr. Balladur said French interest rates, which have come down sharply since his center-right government took office in late March, were now the lowest in Europe outside of Switzerland, In late July, France's strategy of aggressively reducing rates ran into a wave of speculation that

forced a virtual float of currencies within the can Community's monetary grid Mr. Balladur said he did not want the franc to fall to its new floor against the Deutsche mark, which could happen if France trimmed rates much more quickly than Germany. The Bank of France has made several modest cuts in secondary lending

rates to nudge money market rates back down to

where they were before the currency crisis, but no Lower interest rates and previously announced reductions in companies' costs have primarily helped the business sector.

Now Mr. Balladur, who is under pressure from members of his own conservative coalition to do more to lift the economy out of recession, has moved to put more money in consumers' pockets,

He said that by reducing the number of tax brackets, he would ent income taxes for the middle class. The government is expected to make a final decision on the amount by Friday, he said. The government will offer tax breaks to individ-

Milder inflation reported in Germany. Page 11.

uals who sell certain mutual funds to buy a home. It will waive a penalty on low-income earners who

take their money out of special accounts before the customary eight-year wait.

The prime minister also announced the creation of a special commission to study the tax burden on households.

Mr. Balladur said the measures did not break with his government's strategy of reining in the nanced by the anticipated sale of the state's stake in nationalized companies.

"I see nothing that requires a change in poli-es," he said at the news conference, called to kick off his government's program for the autumn.

He said that the European currency crisis would feature prominently in his talks on Thursday in Bonn with Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Mr. Kohl suggested recently that deadlines for See TAXES, Page 11

December 1990.

over that period.

• The 3.55 percent Saudi share-

Commercial-bank assets in Sandi Arabia rose to \$82.1 billion in June 1993 from \$61.9 billion in

Commercial-bank deposits were up 33 percent, to \$51.2 billion,

Commercial-bank lending to the private sector was up 54 percent to \$26.9 billion, also since Decem-

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# **Strong Yen Tips** Toyota Toward Its First Loss

our company history," Ryuji Araki, general manager of Toyota's Financial division, told reporters.

The grim prognosis was made as Toyota announced results for its last financial year, which ended June 30. Sales were flat while net income fell 25.8 percent, the third results in the sale was the sale was a sale with the sale was a sale with the sale was a sale wa

consecutive yearly decline.

The company, founded in 1937, made it clear that a fourth consecutive decline is on the way. While the company is forecasting a thin parent-company operating profit in the year that began in July, the projection is based on an exchange rate of 110 yen to the dollar. If the yen stays closer to 100 to the dollar, officials said, the profit could disappear. The yen closed at 103.70 to

the dollar in Tokyo on Wednesday. Analysts are not seriously wor-ried about Toyota. The company has buge financial reserves that could tide it over a temporary loss. It is regarded as perhaps the most efficient, tenacious and resourceful of Japan's auto companies. Toyota also controls two-fifths of Japan's domestic passenger-car market and is in a position to gain share from its Japanese rivals, particularly Nissan Motor Co. and Mazda Motor Corp., which are in much more serious straits than it is.

But the travails of the company that created the "lean production" system that is widely emulated, is a sign of the trouble spreading through Japan's auto industry.
"If things are this bad for

Toyota, they must be much worse for the other companies," said Ben-jamin Moyer, auto analyst for Merrill Lynch in Tokyo.

The rise of the yen, which makes cars produced in Japan more expensive and therefore less competi-tive on world markets, is only the latest problem. The Japanese economy is in a stubborn slump, and Europe's car market, where Japan's market share is restricted by a voluntary agreement, is contracting rapidly. In the United States, Japanies have lost market yen's appreciation has forced them to increase prices and because the Big Three are improving in quality and competitiveness.

On a consolidated basis, Toyota a former Ford Motor Co. execureported net income of 176.5 billion yen, or \$1.65 billion based on the June 30 conversion rate of 107 yen Earlier this month, Fuji Heavy Industries out employment at the 237.8 billion yen the year before.

By Andrew Pollack

New York Times Service

TOKYO — Toyota Motor Corp.,

Operating income fell 16.8 percent to 181.9 billion yen, Net sales rose 0.5 percent to 10.21 trillion

the strongest of Japan's automakers, might suffer its first operating loss ever this year if the Japanese yen stays at its current high level, officials said Wednesday.

"That means we are faced with the most serious potential crisis in ports rose 1.6 percent to 1.72 million units, with growing shipmenus to Southeast Asia and Latin America offsetting drops in exports to North America and Europe.

Toyota provided forecasts for the year that began in July for only its parent company. According to those projections, production of vehicles in Japan, net sales and net income are all expected to drop. Each fall of one yen in the dollar's

value costs Toyota about 10 billion yen, or about \$100 million, in lost income. The company is projecting an operating profit of only 70 billion yen for the new financial year and only 10 billion yen for the first half. But that is at an exchange rate of 110 yen to the dollar. By those calculations, if the dollar falls below 103 yen, the profit would be wiped out. "We intend to pursue every op-portunity in that regard to avoid a loss," Mr. Araki said.

Mazda Cuts in U.S.

Reflecting the soaring yen and hard times for Japan's automakers, Mazda Motor Corp. has dismissed its top American executive and said it would reduce its headquarters staff in California by about 35 percent, Doron P. Levin of The New York Times reported from Detroit. Clark J. Vitulli, who left Chrysler Corp. in 1989 to run Mazda's U.S. sales operations, was let go on Tuesday along with four other top executives. Mr. Vitulli's title, exec-

utive vice president of operations. was eliminated, Mazda said. Executives reporting to Mr. Vitalli will now report to Sonny Sonoguchi, president of Mazda's sales subsidiary, the automaker said.

[Mr. Vitulli told The Associated Press he thought his firing indicated that Mazda was seeking furner Japanese control of its U.S. subsidiary.]

Mazda reorganized its American staff only six months ago, demoting Mr. Vitulli to executive vice president from chief operating officer. Mazda's corporate staff of share in the last year because the about 500 will be reduced by 175. Other Japaoese aulomakers have cut back in the United States. In February, Nissan Motor Co. dismissed Thomas D. Mignanelli,

a former Ford Motor Co. execu-

Industries cut employment at the headquarters of Subaru of America.

#### **Allied Plans** A Venture With Sextant

Bloomberg Business News
LONDON — Europe's largest avionics manufacturer, Sextant Avionique, said Wednesday it would link up with Allied-Signal Inc. of the United States to form a venture that would be one of the world's biggest acrospace elec-

world's organics.
For Sextant, a supplier to
Airbus Industrie, the deal could provide access to the U.S. market. The venture will also help Allied-Signal reach Airbus and get into broader

avionics segments.
Thomson-CSF and Aerospatiale, which now own 52.42 percent of Sextant, plan to buy back all the shares on the market for 300 francs (\$51) each.

Saudi Envoy Criticizes Report • Saudi Arabia's position as the LONDON — Saudi Arabia on Wednesday condemned New York 

"The spending has far ont-stripped the tens of billions of dollargest Arab exporter.

• Saudi Arabia's post largest Arab exporter.

Times reports describing massive financial mismanagement and decline in the country's economic position.

A statement from the Saudi am-

bassador to Britain, Ghazi Algo-saibi, said, "The reports I read in the press are full of inaccuracies, and they do not represent a true picture of the Saudi economy." Mr. Algosabi, the highest-rank-ing Sandi official to reply directly to the reports, offered a list of 10 economic indicators, including oilsector growth, gross domestic out-

put and banking activity, which be said the stories neglected. In two articles published this week, which were carried in the International Herald Tribune, The New York Times said Saudi Arabia had run down its financial reserves because of years of unrestrained spending, huge military purchases and irregular banking practices.

est oil fields in the world, which the holding in the IMF. government owns," it said.

The reports also said Saudi Ara-bia ran its reserves down over the past decade to less than \$51 billion at the end of 1992 from \$121 billion. The newspaper said a secret 1992 report by the International Monetary Fund expressed concern at persistent budget deficits in the kingdom and a reluctance to cut

expensive social programs and aid to neighboring countries.

Mr. Algosaibi's statement did not directly address the question of reserves or alleged mismanagement in the banking system, including loans to members of the ruling fam-

ily. But he presented a series of alternative economic statistics. "All of these indicators should be taken into account when discussing government borrowing, which has at no point exceeded the ratio recommended by the Europe-an Community," be said.

The Sandi indicators Mr. Algosaibi pointed to were:

1992 gross domestic product of
\$110.2 billion, or 26.5 percent of
total Arab GDP, making Saudi Arabia the largest Arab economy.

• 1992 oil-sector growth of 4.9
percent, and non-oil growth of 5

percent · A "marked drop" in the cost of living, to a negative 4 percent in 1992.

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## 4 Big Electronics Firms Set Video CD Standard

Compiled by Our Staff Fram Dispatches TOKYO — Compact-disk videos got a boost Wednesday when four leading electronics companies agreed on a format that will use standard-sized CDs and can be played on the current caeration of audio players after

they are fitted with adapters.
The format, called Video CD, will be used for movies, karaoke, music videos and educational material, the companies said. A CD of the same size as the standard audio disk can play 74 minutes of video.

The companies - Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Philips Electronics NV, Sony Corp. and Victor Co. of Japan — said Vid-co CDs can be played on current CD players with digital outputs with an add-on adaptor. Sony and Matsushita have access to huge movie libraries and are likely to begin releasing them in the new format. Sony owns Columbia and Tri-Star

Pictures, while Matsusbita owns MCA inc. The format is capable of 300 lines of horizontal resolution, making the quality comparable to that of a standard videocas-seite recorder, said Andrew House, a Sony spokesman.

The format also can store photographs and is compatible with CD-I players developed by Philips, the Karaoke CD format used by Philips and JVC.

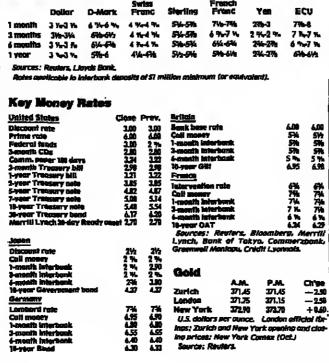
(AP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

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#### MARKET DIARY

## Weak Interest Rates **Boost Stock Prices**

NEW YORK - Record-low interest rates on bonds translated into record-high prices for most Wall Street stocks on Wednesday. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 13.13, to a record 3.652.09.

N.Y. Stocks

while rising issues on the New York Stock Exchange outnumbered decliners by an 8-to-7 ratio. Computer-related issues fell however, in part because of a brewing software price war, and that helped push the Nasdaq over-the-counter index

down 1.47 points, to 733.66.

Ralph Bloch, senior vice president at Raymond James & Associates in St. Petersburg, Florida, said stocks were marching "to the beat of low interest rates."

Weak durable-goods order for July confirmed the outlook for unspectacular economic growth, which implies interest rates will remain low. A rise in home sales that month was taken as a function of the low interest costs, which make

mortgages relatively inexpensive.

The yield on the beliwether 30year Treasury bond fell to 6.17 percent, a record low, from 6.20 percent on Tuesday. Bond prices rose late in the session, despite lukewarm bidding at an auction of five-year notes,

of 4.87 percent. That was as expected, but there were only 2.6 bids per

bond sold, a low response. British Petroleum was the mostactive New York Stock Exchange issue, rising 14 to 574.

"Oils are one of the few areas with dividend yields, and they're perceived as safe," said Grace Messuer, a portfolio manager at Wilmington Trust. "Even with oil prices coming down, their earnings are up this year." Texaco, which got a favorable review from Goldman, Sachs, rose % to 64%. Exxon was up % to 65%, and Mobil added 1 to 77%.

Philip Morris was No. 2 on the actives list, falling 21/2 to 49 after it disappointed investors by failing to raise its dividend.

Bell Atlantic, which won a U.S. court case that will let phone companies provide cable television to their customers, rose I to 60%.

Delta Air Lines jumped 2% to 55% after First Boston recommended it. The arrine sector gained, and the Dow Jones transportation index jumped 14.96, to 1,664.67.

Borland International fell 2 to 18% in over-the-counter trading. It cut the price of new spreadsheet programs as much as 84 percent, raising fears of a software price war. Microsoft fell 1% to 74%. (AP, Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder, UPI)

## Germans Center-Stage **As Dollar Builds Gains**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The dollar remained broadly higher on Wednesday on speculation that the stimates that the bank had ndesbank would lower German interest rates on Thursday. The dollar closed at 1.6840 Deut-

Foreign Exchange

sche marks, up from 1.6792 DM on Tuesday, as new statistics pointed toward milder German inflation and buoyed expectations that the Bundesbank may feel able to cut

Pressure has continued to build throughout Europe for such German action and the Thursday meeting will be the first following the

Bundesbank's four-week boliday.
"The market's factored in a 25 basis-point discount-rate cut," said Michael McKeever, a dealer at Fuji

The dollar also firmed to 105 yen, up from 103.62 yen on Tuesday, even though it was widely believed, but not confirmed, that the Bank of Japan had again intervened on Wednesday as an aggressive buyer of dollars.

Dealers were skeptical that the Japanese authorities could long light the dollar's upward trend alone. "Mostly it's the BOJ against

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the world," said Richard Koss, a dealer with Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. He cited marspent \$6 billioo in intervention in August alone. "Is it willing to do

that forever?" Expectations of lower German rates reversed pressure early in the day on the dollar in the wake of a sharp drop in U.S. durable-goods orders. Dealers noted that this indi-cator is volatile, however, and its effect on the market was shortlived. Economists said that a slump one month often precedes a gain in

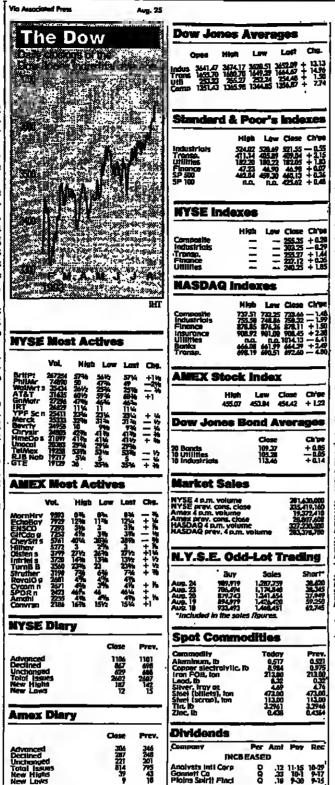
Some dealers believed that a small cut by the Bundesbank was unlikely to move the market much.

"Unless the Bundesbank doesn't cut rates at all or cuts rates more than 50 basis points, I have a hard time seeing it's going to have much of an impact," said Mr. Koss, not-ing that the dollar and mark have stayed in a fairly narrow range all

The dollar also finished at 1.4815 Swiss francs, up from 1.4752 francs on Taesday, and at 5.8490 French francs, up from 5.8445 francs. The European component of the Internsponent declined to \$1.4815, from \$1.4987.

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(Knight-Ridder, Reuters)



## **Stock Prices Shine in Europe**

Source: UPL

**NASDAQ Diary** 



## VW Got Papers 'by Accident'

FRANKFURT - Seositive documents belonging to a rival carmaker ended up in a Volkswagen AG guesthouse unintentionally, the VW production chief, José Ig-

nacio López de Arriorma, said in a statement obtained by Reuters. In the statement, which was given to VW's supervisory board two and a half weeks ago, Mr. Lopez also maintained he played no role in packaging and transporting con-fidential papers of Adam Opel AG and General Motors Corp.

The statement explains that be-fore Mr. López decided to join Volkswagen, he ordered an Opel employee to remove specific papers from his Opel office, Once Mr. Lopez decided to join VW, the boxes were shipped to Germany.

Two VW employees, sorting the papers in Mr. Lopez's presence, discovered the boxes also con-tained Opel and GM correspondence between Mr. Lopez and sup-pliers. Mr. Lopez said he ordered the VW workers to shred them,

#### U.S./AT THE CLOSE

#### Home Sales Climbed 5.4% in July

WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — Sales of previously owned homes jumped 5.4 percent in July to the highest level in sever months as buyers took advantage of the lowest mortgage rates in mor than two decades, a real estate trade group reported Wednesday.

"The market is experiencing an ideal combination of low rater stable prices," said John A. Tuccillo, an economist for the Na Association of Realtors in Washington. The Realtors report climbed to 3.88 million at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, I million in June. Sales rose in every region except the Northeas million in June. Sales rose in every region except the Northeas Meanwhile, weaker-than-expected July durable-goods order scored the anemic pace of the U.S. economic recovery, analyst: Commerce Department said July durables orders fell 3.8 pc sharpest drop since December 1991. Excluding defense, durable scored with period increases of 4.5 and period increases of 4. percent. These data compared with revised increases of 4.5

#### Philip Morris Sinks on Flat Pav

NEW YORK (AP) — Philip Morris Cos. said Wednesday its dividend steady this quarter, saying the volatility of cigarette business made that the "most prudent course of a Investors hoping for a dividend increase were unh decision and sent Philip Morris stock sharply lower in a lo late trading. Philip Morris was off \$2.50 a share a

#### Ford Makes Contract Offer to

DEARBORN, Michigan (Reuters) — Ford Motor contract proposal to the United Auto Workers union o; pact looger than three years and offers a "good case chosen as the union's strike target. UAW vice preside said Wednesday.

Mr. Lofton, speaking after company oegotistors present.
al here, said he was not satisfied with the offer, but belic
boost Ford's chances of being the target.
The UAW's current three-year labor contract with the Big

automakers expires Sept. 14. The union's executive board plan: either Ford, General Motors Corp. or Chrysler Corp. as its su on Aug. 30. Bargaining will then focus on that automaker resulting agreement will serve as a pattern for the other two.

#### Bell Atlantic Wins Key Cable Cas

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - In a potentially far-reaching of federal judge has declared unconstitutional a part of the 1984 that barred Bell Atlantic Corp. subsidiaries from providing service in the same areas where it provides telephone service. Federal Judge T.S. Ellis supported Bell Atlantic in a challer provision of the Cable Act that bans local phone company providing video programming. The decision most likely faces appeals process and it remains unclear how it will affect Bell other markets in the Mid-Atlantic region or the other regional to

#### MGM Names Chief at United Artis

HOLLYWOOD (NYT) — In a move to accelerate movic produtoubled Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc., John Calley, a former Brothers executive, has been named president of United Artists i a revived MGM division.

The appointment is ultimately designed to make MGM, now or Credit Lyonnais, more attractive to potential buyers.

#### For the Record

Toys 'R' Us is planning to open Books 'R' Us departments in ab stores by October.

Reader's Digest Association Inc. said its fourth-quarter out dipped to \$25.7 million, from \$26.2 million a year earlier. Carter Hawley Hale Stores Inc. said it would eliminate 600

year-end and take a \$25 million restructuring charge. (Knight-I

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LONDON — The Financial Times-Stock Exchange index jumped 29.9 points Wednesday, closing at a record 3.089.2, as optimism that Germany would cut interest rates Thursday buoyed European bourses. The European component of the International Herald Tribune World

French stocks posted a notable advance, with the CAC-40 index up 35.91 points, at 2,159.31. If the Bundesbank does cut its discount rate Thursday, expected, the Bank of France likely would have room to follow.

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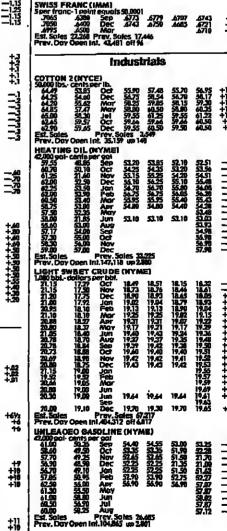
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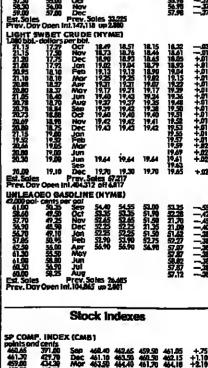
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## Cut the Franc Loose, Belgians Say Economists Call for an End to 3-Year Link to Mark

BRUSSELS — A group of Belgian economists urged the government on Wednesday to suspend the Belgian franc's link to the Deutsche mark, setting a major challenge to the Center-left government's economic and monctary policy.

In an open letter to Prime Minister Jean-Luc Dehaene that was published in several of the country's most important newspapers, 14 leading economists from the Catholic University of Leuven, the nation's most respected school for economics, said the policy was hindering efforts to reduce unemplo and spur economic growth, and should be

Among those to sign the letter was Paul De Grauwe, an internationally known economist who, like several of the other signers, had previously favored the Belgian franc's link to

"This could be the beginning of the end" of Belgium's policy of tying the franc to the mark, said Darren Williams, an economist at Merrill Lynch in London.

By Peter Maass

BUDAPEST - The Hungarian-

American Enterprise Fund, trying to put several months of scandal behind it, announced Wednesday

that it was cutting by more than half the \$400,000 salaries at a small

But the Enterprise Fund failed to

cajole the two American managers

of EurAmerica Capital Corp. to

make the pay cuts retroactive and

refund hundreds of thousands of

dollars. The fund also was unable,

for financial and legal reasons, to

withdraw immediately its \$4 mil-

lion investment in EurAmerica.

banking firm it owns.

For three years that linkage has provided Belgium with one of the strongest currencies in Europe, and helped maintain low inflation and a strong current-account surplus. Be-cause it contributed to economic stability, the so-called franc fort policy had enjoyed, up to now, the unanimous approval of Belgian

The economists' statement was the first to challenge the three-year-old franc-mark link.

An attempt to follow the mark in its upward climb will damage Belgian industry, the state-ment said, adding that "eventually it will also not succeed because the Belgian franc, because of the enormous debt charge of the state, is ufficiently resistant to speculative waves."

It was also the first domestic criticism of monetary policy since the turnoil in the European Monetary System in late July, which led European governments to widen to 15 percent the permitted fluctuation bands for all EMS currencies except the mark and guilder.

Analysts said the statement could be crucial for upcoming negotiations between the

Hungary's nascent private sector. Europe and allocated several hun-the Enterprise Fund attracted dred million dollars.

ing as much as \$400,000 to each of its managers — or about twice as much as President Bill Clinton and the House Foreign Affairs Sub-

1989 to funnel \$60 million into that had been set up in Eastern fended the EurAmerica salaries as this month, Mr. Odle said.

agreement to tackle the high-spending socialsecurity system, which is seen as a major contributor to Belgium's huge 8.0 trillion franc (\$225 billion) debt, and on measures to boost competitiveness.

"The government should adopt a monetary policy favorable to job creation," the economists wrote in the letter, which appeared in L'Echo, a daily financial newspaper, as well as a leading Flemish-language paper and a French-language paper. The suspension of the link between the franc and the mark would allow Belgium to undertake a more supple policy, which would be adapted not to German internal problems but to Belgian

Belgian disaffection with the policy of shadowing the mark mirrors a broader European disillusionment with the idea of binding currencies together.

The Belgian National Bank, responding to the letter, said Wednesday that it was sticking to its current monetary policy.
(Reuters, Bloomberg)

being justified and in line with banking norms, but few people in

Mr. Tomlinson had tried to de-

flect the controversy by stating

that the salaries were paid from

income earned by EurAmerica rather than from the fund's start-

up capital. The fund's legal coun-

sel, Robert Odle, said in a tele-

phone interview Wednesday that

this was not entirely correct, be-

cause when EurAmerica started

up, it did not have any income to

EurAmerica, which is supposed

to help local companies raise mon-

ey from foreign investors, has

agreed to a salary cap of \$150,000. The salary cuts are effective from

pay the salaries.

Washington shared his views.

# <sup>9</sup>U.S. Fund for Hungary Slashes Salaries

The figures show a clear damp-

## **Market Divided** On Prospects of German Rate Cut

FRANKFURT — Economists and analysts were divided over whether unexpectedly modest German inflation figures for August. which were issued on Wednesday, would prompt the Bundesbank to cut key rates at its council meeting

on Thursday.

Annual inflation statistics published by four federal states showed that Western Germany's preliminary inflation index for August had fallen to 4.2 percent, or possibly to 4.1 percent, from an annual rate of

4.3 percent in July.

The office is expected to publish preliminary figures for Western Germany's inflation rate later this

"The inflation figures are surprisingly positive," said an analyst at DG Bank. He said they confirmed that long-term inflation was heading downward and predicted that the Bundesbank would cut its discount rate, currently at 6.75 percent, by 25 basis points. He said it would refrain from a bigger cut because it did not want to jeopar-dize its anti-inflation credibility.

merzbank. He predicted the Bundesbank would cut the discount rate by half a percentage point. "Moderate wage settlements in the service sector at the beginning of the summer are now beginning to come through."

But Gerhard Grebe, an economist at Bank Julius Bar, said that an improvement in inflation was normal at this time of the year and that the Bundesbank was unlikely to ease monetary policy for three to four months. "The level is still too high," be said. Inflation was falling but was doing so very "slowly and

sluggishly."
The Bundesbank has not scheduled a press conference to follow its council meeting. It last cut the discount rate by half a point, to 6.75 percent, on July 2 and last cut the ombard rate by the same margin,

to 7.75 percent, on July 30. Separately, the Hamburg-based HWWA research institute said Wednesday that the annual infla-tion rate in Eastern Germany was expected to drop to an average of 4.5 percent in 1994 from 9 percent this year as rising rents stabilize.

(Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)

## Krupp Swings to a Loss

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches ESSEN, Germany - Fried. Krupp AG Hoesch-Krupp, the troubled German steelmaker, said Wednesday it had swung to a pre-tax loss of 324 million Deutsche

marks (\$192 million) in the first half of the year, compared with a year-earlier profit. But analysts said the loss should shrink during the rest of 1993 and may even head

toward break-even next year.

Krupp's chief executive, Gerhard Cromme, said the company would slice a total of 12,900 jobs from its work force of 91,411 this

Last month, the chief executive said employee levels would be sliced to just below 80,000 by 1994. The cuts include about 2,000 positions at the company's Rheinhausen steel plant, shut down earlier this month. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

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#### Very briefly:

Caribury Schweppes PLC said it planned to build a chocolate plant in Wroclaw, Poland that is expected to begin production in 1995.

VDO Adolf Schindling AG, an anto-parts producer, said it had posted a loss in the first half due to weak demand, while group sales fell 1.3 percent, to 1.17 billion Deutsche marks (\$694 million).

• W. H. Smith PLC said its pretax profit had risen 5.3 percent in the year ended May 29, to £113.8 million (\$170.3 million), on strong book sales. Telegraph PLC, the British newspaper publisher, said first-half pretax profit had jumped 60 percent, to £34.6 million, reflecting higher sales and a revival in advertising revenues.

· Havas is ready to increase its 23.5 percent stake in Canal Plus with a share swap as soon as the French parliament passes a law raising the permitted size of shareholdings in media companies, according to the

Talks geared to a merger between Remarkt SA and Volvo AB have made "significant progress," although they are not yet completed, sources at the French Industry Ministry said.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl said capital investments in Eastern Germany should reach 36 billion DM in 1992, double the amount spent in 1991.
 Reuters, AFP, Bloomberg, AP, AFX

#### NOMAD: Jobs With No Future

Created by the U.S. Congress in mately half-dozen enterprise funds

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46, of Boulder, Colorado, has been hired by several companies, typically for only six months and usualty as a vice president, to help the young firms establish relationships with distributors, set product value and define future products.

"It's addictive," Mr. Lynott said. "The adrenalin rush is fun. I personally get a kick out of calling people and saying 'I'm with XYZ' company and have them say With who? I get a special thrill out of introducing a new company, prod-uct or concept. And the potential payoffs can be huge: A lot of guys in smaller companies take an equi-ty position — then they're off doing

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politics. When you're a lifetime employee working for that gold watch, you live office politics or die. In this job, politics isn't your concern you won't be there long enough. What counts is success."

harsh criticism earlier this year

when a congressional committee learned that EurAmerica was pay-

The House Foreign Affairs Sub-

committee on Foreign Operations

issued a scathing report in which it condemned the salaries as being

poor uses of taxpayer money and

refused to hand over a final appro-

priation of \$13 million for the fund.

At a time of hudget-cutting, the salary controversy threatened to

undermine support for the approxi-

The life of the rented exec does come with considerable costs.

For one thing, it is unpredictable. Says Mr. Lynott: "Remember, you are entering a company at its highest risk point. You live and die by the sword. The statistics say you are going to work for a lot of companies that won't make it. It can be very depressing."

Just as important, as Mr. Van Horne put it, "You have to be willhave to determine what needs to be done and see the job through, not

### MEETING: Talks Key to Future TAXES: Balladur Announces Cuts

The dispute over EurAmerica

was the first financial scandal to

strike the U.S. government's for-

As the controversy gained force,

the fund's president, Alexander

Tomlinson, resigned two weeks

ago, bitterly accusing Democrats on Capitol Hill of trying to under-

mine the fund, which was estab-

lisbed under former President

George Bush. Mr. Tomlinson, a re-

tired Wall Street executive, de-

the former Soviet bloc.

change, a group of professors at the University of Louvain issued a manifesto Tuesday criticizing Belgium's effort to maintain the value of its franc and calling for interestrate cuts to spur employment.

Although there is little prospect that Mr. Kohl and Mr. Balladur will resolve their differences over currencies, the monetary crisis was likely to affect their talks on trade.

Mr. Balladur has promised to make new proposals to advance Europe's interests in the global talks to liberalize the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Nevertheless, Foreign Minister

#### for the farm portion of a GATT

Germany has steadfastly de-fended the farm deal with Washington and knows it must push monetary and political union calls hard to obtain an overall GATT for a single European currency to deal by the current December be created by 1999.

#### ■ Germany Criticized

Karel van Miert, the EC competition commissioner, criticized German declarations that an EC central bank had to be sited in Frankfurt or nowhere, greatly angering France, Reuters reported from Brussels.

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reaching monetary union set under the Maastricht treaty might have to be relaxed. The treaty on economic,

Mr. Balladur said he continued to hope that European leaders would work to meet those deadlines, including the one set for Jan. I to establish a European monetary institute, the embryo of a European

central bank. Bot he said it was important for European countries to make sure Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel their economies were tightly said on Monday Germany was con-

#### nomic policies and assume Germa ny had found definitive solution to the consequences of reunification," Mr. Balladur said.

French officials have blamed the recent currency crisis on high Ger man interest rates, which they say stem from the costs of German

Mr. Balladur said that projec tions indicated weak but positive growth in gross domestic production in gross domestic production in 1993.

The National Statistics Institut revised its estimate of gross dome nc product growth downward fo the first quarter, saying it would 0.5 percent. Second-quarter dat are not yet available.

(Reuters, Knight-Ridder

#### **COMPANY RESULTS**

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**ENCOURAGING SIGNALS** 

## **GOOD NEWS FROM EASTERN GERMANY**

#### 1993 REMAINS DIFFICULT

In the 1st half of 1993, earnings in Electricity increased once again. Trading/Transportation/Services matched the previous year's level despite a difficult economic environment. However, a substantial earnings decline in Oil and wholly unsatisfactory results in Chemicals led to an overall decline in Group net income of 13.2% to DM 316 million.

From today's point of view, we anticipate the 1993 earnings to continue to develop as they did in the 1st half. However, we are optimistic that the cost-cutting measures will show their full positive effects in 1994.

#### INVESTMENT PROGRAM IN THE NEW STATES

**Group Key Figurea** 

Good news from Eastern Germany: Following the agreement of the last of Eastern Germany's 164 municipalities to accept the "Stromvertrag", the way has been cleared for an investment program to privatize the region's utilities. five of which are managed by PREUSSENELEKTRA and on which PREUSSEN-ELEKTRA plans to spend DM 600 million in 1993. By the year 2005, total capital expenditure in the electricity sector will amount to DM 6.7 billion.

Eastern Germany's principal utility VEAG, in which PREUSSENELEKTRA intends to acquire a 26.25% interest, has earmarked some DM 30 billion for modernizing the Eastern German power industry by the year 2005. Other major electricity projects of PREUSSENELEKTRA:



the 900 MW lignite power station in Schkopau near Leipzig and the t60 MW power station in Kirchmöser.

1992 sales in Eastern Germany amounted to DM 4.1 billion. With a regional investment focus on the new states of DM 8.4 billion (1993 - 1997), we will concentrate on infrastructural improvements, i.e. generation and distribution of electricity, supply of gas and water, as well as waste business.

The initial steps to establish the mobile telephone network E Plus have been taken in Eastern Germany. To date, ARAL (VEBA interest 56%) has built up a network of 147 service stations in this region.

Brandenburg.

#### FOUNDATIONS

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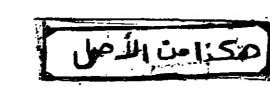
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# Taiwan Heads for Insurance War But New Players May Be Stymied by Lack of Staff

By Kevin Murphy

TAIPEI - The trouble in Taiwan's rapidly opening insurance market will not be finding enough business for a host of companies now

moving to join the fray.

Difficulties will arise when the new foreign and domestic companies drawn by Taiwan's growing wealth and changing demographics go looking for enough competent people to sell, write and manage the business for them.

We may see some conflict between com-petitors for qualified staff," said Tan Beng Wah, president of the Taiwan branch of facturers Life Insurance Co. of America. "The choice will be build from a ground base, or begin trying to attract personnel from other companies.

Taiwan has thrown open its insurance market as part of an effort to internationalize its financial markets. It hopes such moves will eventually lead to membership in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Where only eight local companies once sold life insurance products for more than 30 years, Taiwan began allowing branch offices of U.S. companies into the market in 1986. And in May it approved licenses for eight new domestic groups to enter the market.

Finance Ministry officials also pledged to allow non-American concerns into the mar-ket to compete with 14 authorized American companies soon after the new domestic ones

The result could be one of Asia's most

accessible and competitive life-insurance

"Think of where we're coming from and what the alternatives are," said Ian Phillips. corporate development director for BAT's Eagle Star Life, which is seeking a joint venture with Taiwan's powerful President Enter-prises, one of the newly authorized domestic

"There will be competition, but not like we are used to at home," said Mr. Phillips. "We see very good growth prospects and good profitability here. The word massive comes to mind to describe the potential."

New entrants are excited by the fact that only 4.2 life policies have been sold for every 10 Taiwan people, a relatively low rate compared with Japan, the United States and

They also see individual incomes growing in step with the nation's overall wealth and believe that more and more people will likely save for their own retirement rather than depend on help from younger people.

"We're quite prepared to back this business with effort and capital," said John Wallace of Australia's National Mutual, which operates in Taiwan via its ownership of Arizona-based Integrity Insurance, one of the American companies operating in Taiwan.
"We're encouraged by the initial results."

But, judging from recent data, the incoming foreign companies and the new domestic concerns both have a long way to go before they can seriously challenge such domestic giants as

Cathay Life, which controls 50 percent of the market, and Shin Kong, which has 25 percent. According to government statistics, the local life-insurance industry received premiums of 190 billion Taiwan dollars (\$7 billion) in 1992, of which only 3 percent went to U.S.

life-insurance compa In total numbers of policies, U.S concerns took 4.41 percent, and only 2.67 percent of oew policies written that year. Excluding Aetna Life's Taiwan branch, a strong performer, U.S. companies represent less than 1 percent of the local life-insurance market.

"A lot of the companies had very rough starts here." said Malcolm Riddell, a finan-cial consultant. "There were some dramatic failures in hiring top managers. But now the newcomers are competing with the locals by offering good management and top-notch

Any group weighing a foray into Taiwan will find one high barrier: a minimum capital-adequacy requirement of 2 billion dollars, much higher than most other countries. While there seems to be little shortage of

international companies looking over the market, some through joint ventures or branch offices, one Taiwan group has decided not to take up its license.

Reber Group attributed its decision to potential staffing problems and fears that it might lose 200 million dollars the first year and stay in the red for up to six years. It said it would invest in other develop-

# Record Results Set News Corp. On Buyout Trail

SYDNEY - Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. raised the green flag for further acquisitions as the media empire weighed in Wednesday with a record annual profit of 864 million dollars (\$576 million).

The global media and entertainment company linked the result a 72 percent surge over the previous year's earnings — to improved per-formances in newspaper, magazine and television operations, especially in the United States, where earnings before interest and taxes rose nearly 10 percent to 964.3 million dollars in year ended June 30. The stellar numbers reflected

solid performances at Fox Broadcasting Co. and Fox Television Stations, as well as TV Guide maga-zine. One rough spot in the United States was Twentieth Century Fox Film, which had lower earnings. News Corp. reported a profit of 501.5 million dollars in 1991-92, after a loss of 392 million dollars in

Revenue in the 1992-93 financial year jumped 5 percent to 10.7 bil-lion dollars, and operating income rose 7 percent to 1.7 billion dollars. Debt was cut by 1 billion dollars.

News Corp. said it now had the means for further acquisitions.
"If there was an acquisition that we thought was attractive, we would have the resources to finance

that acquisition," said David De-Voe, chief financial officer.

Company executives made clear Wednesday that the company's future was in the skies over Europe and Asia. News Corp. has a 50 percent stake in British Sky Broadcasting, and there has been speculation that Mr. Murdocb may announce a link between BSkyB and France's Canal Plus cable-TV con-

And Mr. Murdoch's \$525 million deal this month to acquire a 63.9 percent controlling interest in the Hong Kong-based satellite broadcaster Star Television has News Corp. well positioned in the world's fastest-growing media market.

"Murdoch's come back," said Graham Buckeridge, a director at Burdett Buckeridge & Young, a brokerage firm. They've turned the whole thing around. I guess you would say it's the story of a great corporate turnaround.

Few thought such a scenario possible two years ago, when a crushing debt load almost sunk the media empire.

The record profit was below projections of I billion dollars, prompting investors to pull the stock down from a record high on Tuesday. News Corp. shares closed at 9.33 dollars, down 12 cents. (Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP)

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• Thailand's cabinet cut its import duty on motion pictures to 10 baht per meter (12 cents per font), from 30 baht, to try to appease the United States, which has threatened sanctions for alleged unfair trade practices. People's Bank of Chins, the central bank, said the weekend report in the Sunday Morning Post of Hong Kong that officials had siphoned \$28 billion out of China's banking system was "sheer fabrication."

 Since Darby Hong Kong Lat., the Hong Kong arm of the Malaysian conglomerate, said its net profit for the year ended June 30 had risen 34 percent, to 505.9 million Hong Kong dollars (\$65.3 million), thanks to increased trade with China.

## Cathay Profit Tumbled 46% in First Half

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

HONG KONG - Cathay Pacific Airways Ltd., Hong Kong's flag carrier, on Wednesday blamed a cabin-crew strike and recession for a 46 percent drop in profit for the

Chairman Peter Sutch said the 17-day strike over pay and working conditions had cut an estimated 240 million Hong Kong dollars

January-to-June period last year, Revenue inched up 0.4 percent

to 11.02 billion dollars. January's strike at the peak of the Lunar New Year holiday forced

Mr. Sutch also linked the profit (\$31 million) from profit.

Net profit fell to 681 million dollars, from 1.26 billion dollars in the slamp to the continuing economic downturn in major Cathay markets, particularly Japan and Europe. Inflation in Hong Kong also

"The level of the final dividend dividend of 42 cents in 1992,

Earnings per share for the Hong
Kong-based airline, controlled by
Cathay shares dropped 40 cents
to finish the day at 10 dollars. The the Swire Group, were 23.8 cents. profit result was below analysts slide. (AP, AFP, Bloomberg, AFX)

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grace period of seven years.

The 3 percent loan, for two pow-

## in the light of the performance during the balance of the year, Mr. Sutch said. Cathay paid a full-year dividend of 42 capts in 1992. To Fall at Japanese Banks

TOKYO - Mitsubishi Bank Ltd. said Wednesday it would cut its short-term prime lending rate from 4.0 percent to 3.75 percent next week, sparking similar moves by Sanwa Bank Ltd, and Sakura Bank Ltd.

Meanwhile, the country's three long-term credit banks reportedly reached an informal agreement to cut their prime rates from 5 percent to a record low of 4.8 percent starting next Wednesday, a day after the

er projects and a teaching hospital, is repayable over 18 years with a oew short-term rates take effect. Spokesmen for two of the three But in future such loans may not banks, Industrial Bank of Japan be forthcoming, Mitsuaki Kojima, Ltd. and Long-Term Credit Bank charge d'affaires at the Japanese of Japan Ltd., said they expected to Embassy, said Malaysia would announce the change later this soon be ineligible for assistance. week. The third long-term credit

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Mohammed Sheriff Kassim, the ministry's secretary-general, said Malaysia needed to plan its foreigndebt portfolio "to make sure we're not exposed to one currency." At the same time, bowever, he

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# •JOBS: German Automotive Industry Planning to Slash 100,000 Workers

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dent of the association.

French competition, which is roughly a clear, Mrs. Emmerich noted.

She called for a substantial corporate tax clear, Mrs. Emmerich noted.

As the process of change picks up speed, it is new environmental legislation, and blasted a also drawing increasingly lience resistance. federal government proposal to raise the tax on For example, Merceles-Benr's chief labor.

which every sixth job in Germany directly or expect major resistance if it tries to carry out its indirectly depends, cannot help but reinforce plans." the positive effects of product innovation and standardization by cutting labor costs, which account for 70 percent of the cost of a German car, she said.

Germany's high labor costs were once justified by relatively high productivity, but have increasingly become a competitive hability in both European and global terms. While shed-ding capacity at home, German automakers are expanding abroad, especially in areas where-

nomic strength," said Erika Francrich, press-industry were two-thirds higher than at the dent of the association. French competition, which is roughly as effi-

In international terms, German industry and organized labor have long enjoyed an enviable degree of cooperation. As the going gets tough, however, companies are increasingly blaming union wage demands and attempts to block change for employers' hard-line response. "IG Metall proposed we organize auto

IG Metall is Germany's higgest labor union, including workers from the automotive and other metalworking industries. The union has scheduled a press conference Friday to present its own proposals for resolving the crisis, which threatens the union's existence as members lose

able to restore German automakers' competitiveness, economists increasingly say it is a danger to the country's social and economic

nothing on the horizon that could employ the large numbers of workers coming out of the car

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Last year, wages in the German automotive

otor fuels:

The automotive industry, meanwhile, on news service Wednesday: "The company can

tive sector investments on an international ba-sis to cushion change." Mr. Herzog said. "We can't even do that in the European Community, let alone in the whole world."

their jobs and stop paying dues.

Though radical change is arguably unavoid-

"Strikes would only make the situation worse," a London analyst said. But even without strikes, be added, "there's

actories at the same wages. He said, "You're left with widespread dissatisfaction and a tremendous structural unemployment, which has to be financed through the

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# SPORTS FOOTBALL

# Another Season, Another Burden for Florida State

By Malcolm Moran

New York Times Service TALLAHASSEE, Florida -The house that Bobby Bowden re- And twice their seasons have

built is a work in progress.

Giant brick facades and majestic archways have begun to obscure the Erector Set architecture of Doak Campbell Stadium, making the home of the Florida State Seminoles suddenly appear stately enough that Red Grange could have played there in the days when the school was a college for women and the business of high-stakes football was conducted elsewhere.

As the cranes work and Florida State prepares for the Kickoff Classic against Kansas on Saturday afternoon at Giants Stadium outside New York City, the game that will open the 1993 college football season, the success of Bowden's 17-season tenure has created another illusion: That the Seminoles have always been this way, living with the aways been his way, living with the expectation of winning the school's first unofficial, but desperately sought, national championship.

Those pollsters are at it again, having picked Florida State No. 1.

"You'd think they'd finally wise

up," said Bowden. Then he laughed. Twice before, the Seminoles have been placed in a similar position. brought disappointment.

If Bowden, his players and staff have in fact learned something from the heartbreak of the past; if the offense can cope with the loss of its leading rusher and if dynamic quarterback Charlie Ward can continue to flourish in a more-imaginative scheme; if the defense can overcome the knee injuries to two leading defensive backs; if the powerful leg of freshman kicker Scott Bentley can overcome the curse of "Wide Right Against Mi-

ami;" if the Seminoles can with-stand the limited challenge of the Atlantic Coast Conference and survive November trips to Notre Dame and Florida; if they can continue their record-setting bowl-game success and if they can leave the ifs at the start of the season, rather than carrying them to the bitter end, the rest should be easy.

In August. Big deal.

"We know now it means abso-lutely nothing," Bowden said. I can get back to laxed. We're playing like we're No. Auburn. Or get back maybe to Alapreseason ranking has been bestowed here twice in the past five seasons. In 1988, a group led by Deion Sanders embraced the honor by creating a music video called "The Seminole Rap" that was a hit

The flimsy distinction of a top 20 and we're not expecting to win.

That's how calm we are." The words reflect the peacefulness of an empty August campus.

But their practice T-shirts display reminders of the cruel reality of New Year's Day: "ONE until a 31-0 opening-night loss in THING LEFT," they read. Miami. Two seasons ago, a more-And just beneath those words

The pollsters have again picked Florida State, which opens the college season Saturday, as No. 1 in the country. "You'd think they'd finally wise up," said the Seminoles' coach, Bobby Bowden.

talented group — maybe the best appears the Seminole secret: Bowden will ever have — allowed the pressure of expectation to build The Seminoles, confident, until it became unbearable, and led ses to Miami and Florida.

heat, are not telling. Bowden's original plan did not "I felt pressure," recalled Clifton
Abraham, a junior cornerback,
"and I was just a redshirt freshman.
Everybody was uptight. This year,

bama one of these years. Or maybe over to Baton Rouge and LSU. Or maybe to Georgia." He did not build the house. He

added to a big-time foundation built by Tom Nugent in the 1950s and enlarged by Bill Peterson in the 60s, with coaching staffs that included Bowden, Don James, Dan Henning, Joe Gibbs, and Bill Parcells. Bowden would occupy this house, let it appreciate, turn it over and move on.

But something happened. His second team, in 1977, won 10 games. His fourth team, in 1979, was undefeated until an Orange Bowl loss to Oklahoma. Bowden appears the Seminole secret:

The Seminoles, confident, loose and undefeated in the summer heat, are not telling.

Roundard of the summer heat are not telling.

Florida State," Bowden said.
That's what my beliefs are. I'm a
religious man. I believe there are some places you're just supposed to be in life."

45-3 is 82 victories beyond Peterson's 11-season total. Bowden's total of 227 victories is second among active coaches to Penn State's Joe

The Seminoles have won 64 of their last 73 games. The polls of news media and coaches have each voted six consecutive final top-four

And yet Bowden has been cast as college football's tragic figure. Two consecutive defeats to Miami have ended with kicks that went wide right; one for a victory and one for right; one for a victory and one for a tie. The morning after the 1-point defeat in 1991, Bowden smiled and said he knew the words for his tombstone: "He played Miami."

Maybe that will change with the arrival of Bentley, the kicker who chose Florida State over Notre Dame after making seven field goals of 50 yards or longer last year including kicks of 57 and 58

year, including kicks of 57 and 58 yards. Or the continued emergence of Ward, who completed 56 per-cent of his passes for 2,647 yards last year, ran for 504 more, and had a say in adjustments made to create

a more imaginative offense.

"I think the coaching staff has learned from previous years,"
Ward said. "We have a better scheme, and that's part of the growth process that we've gone

Far removed from autumn and fisappointment, Bowden sees an

edge.
"Every year when I approach my
boys," he said, "I don't have to say,
"Boys, there's a goal out there but it s already been accomplished. Let's try to do it again."
There's still a space on our shelf

for a plaque that says. The only undefeated team in Florida State history. We've still got that space."

More potentially damaging than the season-ending injuries to tail-back Tiger McMillon and safety Steve Gilmer and the uncertain future of cornerback Corey Fuller all lost to knee problems in the first week of practice — is the acceptance of the possibility that this is as good as the Seminoles will ever become.

"You can't be satisfied with pretty good," said senior linebacker Ken Alexander, "Once you get satisfied with pretty good, completency starts setting in, and when you become a complacent team, that's when you start dropping out of the race. That's what happened to the Penn States, what happened to the Notre Dames."

Two seasons ago, when the Hur-ricanes came into Tallahassee and came from behind to defeat Bowden's best team, critics maintained that the coach's gambling instinct, his signature, had been lost in the beat of a tense, coincal game.

"We were playing not to lose, instead of going for the win at all costs," Alexander said.
"Was that a strategic problem?"

For the Record

"That's just strategy," he said.
"That's plain strategy. When you start playing not to lose, that's when you start losing ball games."
"Can that change?"
"It's got to change," Alexander
said. "It's my last year. If I can put

anything into anybody on the team, it's going to be to always put everything they've got into a play." The house that Bobby Bowden rebuilt has a fancy new brick fasaid: "Sure, he will be ready before cade, a Bentley in the driveway, and the seeds of desperation sown (AP, Reuters, AFP) on its lawn.

## Marseille Evidence Reportedly Flawed

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PARIS — A leaked deposition shows that the coach who claims that Olympique Marseille's president, Bernard Tapie, tried to bribe him had a poor memory of the encounter, and the deposition likely will not stand up in court, it was reported Wednesday.

The weekly Le Canard Enchaine reported that investigators in

properly took the deposition from Boro Primorse, the former coach of Valenciennes. The investigative and satirical journal said that Judge Bernard Beffy, who is leading the investigation into the case; Prosecutor Eric de Montgolfier and Primorae had signed the deposition, but that it can serve neither as a legal complaint nor as admissible evidence because it lacks a clerk's countersignature. The deposition shows that Primorac, asked to describe Tapie's

office, said nothing about obvious objects like a model of the politician-tycoon's yacht, a golden trophy or a huge painting.

"I can tell you, nobody comes into my office and doesn't remember what it looks like," Tapie said Wednesday. "His claims aren't

worth a package of peanuts." Primorac says Tapie met him June 17 to confirm an intermediary's offer of money and a job if he agreed to take the blame for Marseille's alleged bribe offer to three Valenciennes players to throw

## At Manchester United, Loyalty Can Be Costly

LONDON - The English champion, Manchester United, was accused Thursday of cashing in on the loyalty of its young fans who buy replica match clothing by frequently changing the team colors.

A report on replica "kits" or "strips" in the Consumer Association's youth magazine, "Check it out," said the northern club had introduced four new outlits in just over a year.

United also appeared near the top of the league price list for the replica uniforms, which many supporters wear to demonstrate their allegiance. Few young fans want to be seen wearing last season's

outmoded kit. "Most clubs change either their home or away kit every season. Manchester United has had four changes over the last 12 months or so," said the magazine's editor, Sue Harvey. "That seems particular-

"The clubs are using the loyalty of their supporters to charge big prices. Young fans feel under pressure to support their teams, which can put major financial pressure on their parents," she added.

Manchester United, which won the league title last season for the

first time since 1967, last year introduced a new red and white home kit, a new blue away strip and a third yellow and green uniform.

This season, it is sporting another, all black, away strip which costs £47 (\$70.23) for fans to buy.

United's commercial manager, Danny McGregor, defended the new designs and said the club was catering to a demand.

"We don't force anybody to buy the kits but it's about fashion, it's about leisurewear," he said. "How long the fashion will last we can't

#### SIDELINES

#### 2 Ukrainian Olympic Winners Banned

KIEV (Renters) — Olympic gold medalist Tatiana Dorovskikh and Lyudmila Dzhigalova were banned Wednesday for four years by the Ukrainian Athletic Federation for using anabolic steroids.

Dorovskikh, 32, as Tatiana Samolenko won the 3,000 meters in the Sooul, and Dzhigalova, 31, was a gold medalist in the 4 x 400-meter relay in Barcelona. The federation's president, Yuri Tamasov, said Dzhigalova's sample showed two different types of steroids.

The major league owners' representatives and those of the players were to meet Thursday to discuss differing proposals for expanded playoffs, but Engane Orza, the players' associate general counsel said "I would characterize the meeting as preliminary in scope."

The Grand National fiasco last year can be prevent from recurring by a new starting gate, two flagmen and a "stop man" in a car instead of electronic devices, a working group from the British racing industry

Raymond Russell of Scotland shot 4-under-par 67 for the first-round lead at the 93d U.S. Amateur Golf Championship in Houston. (AP) Christian Okoye, the 260-pound Nigerian who led the NFL in rushing four years ago and is the Kansas City Chiefs' career leader, was put on injured reserve with a knee injury. He will miss the entire season and probably won't fit in with the team's new offense, the Chiefs said. (AP)

## Italy, Russia Win the Team **Cycling Trials**

OSLO - Italy avenged its second-place finish in Barcelona last summer by beating defending world and Olympic champion Ger-many and winning the 100-kilome-ter men's team trial Wednesday at the World Challeng Championship. the World Cycling Championships. Russian easily won the women's, 50K team trial, finishing three minutes ahead of the defending champion U.S. team, which for most of

the race had three riders. The Italian men's team of Ros sano Brasi, Gianfranco Contri, Rosario Fina and Cristian Salvato fin-ished in 2 hours, 18 seconds. The German team of Christian

Meyer, Uwe Peschel, Michael Rich and Andreas Walzer was timed in 2:01:40.7, while the Swiss four-some of Roman Jeker, Beat Meister. Markus Kennel and Roland Meier clocked 2:02:47.1.

Russia's Olga Sokolova, Svetlana Bubenkova, Alexandra Kolia-seva and Valentina Polhanova led the whole way in the 50K and finished in 1 hour, 6 minutes, 31.6

The Americans, with Jan Bol-



Gianfranco Contri, left, and Rosario Fina lead the Italian charge to the finish that beat Germany in the men's 100-kilometer team trial.

just 2.5 seconds ahead of Italy's gan last week with track events in championships on the velodrome will be staged in Monaco in line foursome of Roberta Bonanomi, Hamar, Norway. This weekend, the being built in Manchester as part of with the Union Cycliste Interna-the city's bid for the 2000 Olym-tional's new policy of splitting the

the city's bid for the 2000 Olym-tional's new policy of splitting the Fanini and Fabiana Luperini.

It was announced that Britain pics.

The two-week championships bewill stage the 1996 world track

The 1996 road championships

(AP, Reuters)

## Denmark Routs Lithuania, Moves Up in World Cup Qualifying

COPENHAGEN - Team captain Lars Olsen, forwards Frank Pingel and Brian Laudrup and midfielder Kim Vilfort gave Euro-pean champion Denmark a 4-0 victory Wednesday over Lithuania in a European Group 3 qualifying match for the 1994 World Cup.

The victory moved Denmark into second place in the group standings with 14 points, just one

DENNIS THE MENACE

played nine matches.

team group will advance to the World Cup finals in the United States pext summer.

The group's finalists will probably be decided in mid-October, when Ireland plays Spain and Denmark meets Northern Ireland on Oct. 13, then Ireland plays North-

**PEANUTS** 

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bania, are out of the running.

12 points and Northern Ireland is crn Ireland and Spain plays Den-fourth with 10. All four teams have mark on Oct. 17. who rejoined the national squad at his clinic in Antwerp. "He has recovered quite well from the sur-Lithuania and the other two sence failed to score. But he gave, gery." teams in the group, Latvia and Al- Denmark several good chances to increase the score.

Oisen opened the scoring in the 12th minute, and Fingel made it 2-0 in the 41st. Then Brian Landrup and Vilfort put the match well out of reach, Landrup scoring in the 62d minute and Vilfort in the 71st.

Laudrup's older brotber, FC Barcelona star Michael Landrup, ten should be fit to play for AC most recent in early June.

Milan again before the end of the Asked if van Basten we

Van Basten, who missed most of last season, has had two operations on his troublesome right ankle, the Asked if van Basten would be able to play this season, Martens

the New Year."

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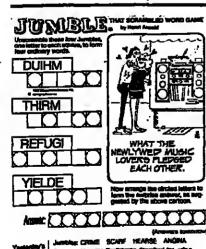
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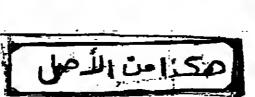


WHAT THEY ATE









# SPORTS BASES

## Giants' Big Lead **Erodes as Braves** Pick Up Another

By Tom Friend

with their sunglasses and winn 6-4, for the second time in 16 hours. For Atlanta, two-time defending National League champion, it was the 13di victory in the last 15 games. There are four to go with San Francisco this season.

A football-sized crowd of 48,645 at Candlestick Park saw the Giants

#### NL ROUNDUP

strand three conners at third base. commit the kind of errors that make grown men laugh and add. suspense to a division they once led

Ron Gant and Dave Justice resumed their home-run derby, with .Gant's first-inning homer off Bryan Hickerson setting a problematic tone for the Giants. And just when San Francisco closed a 5-1 deficit to 5-3 on Robby Thompson's fifth home run in five days. Justice pumped an eighth-inning homer to the same spot in right.

Tom Glavine was not in April, form, but his breaking ball-dancedenough to earn him the victory with. the help of two inning ending double plays with men on third.

The Giants were jitterbugging to a different time. Center fielder Mark Carreon looked into the sun.

The two-base error started a Braves

rally from scratch. SAN FRANCISCO - The San Terry Pendleton, who hit a two-Franciso Giants did not move to run homer in a three-run sixth that Florida, but they still might be would give the Braves a 5-0 lead, headed south.

What was a 10-same lead over base, but their Justice bounced the headed south.

What was a 10-game lead over half to the wrong person: win claim in the National League ball to the wrong person: win Claim. The first baseman fielded the grounder, stepped on first, wheeled, threw home and snared wheeled; threw home watching it all out of the corner of his eye, reached third base just as McGriff had the hall primed in his

> Carreon could stop hyperventi-lating now, but then thing baseman Matr Williams allowed Damon Berryhill's ground ball to skip under ins giove, scoring Pendleton for

The Candlestick Park crowd did not grow silent; there were just too many people in the seats. A year ago at this time, the Giants' fans were signing pentions to keep the team from moving to St. Petersburg, and Tuesday they were tailgating and playing catch in the parking lot at 10 A.M. for a 1 o'clock game.

"I gave up on them; they were some, said John Henley of Fairgone," said John Heniey or ran-field California, who was in line at 9:30 to enter the stadium. "My sister's in Florida. I was going to let her cheer for them."

White games, The Associated Press reported.
Press reported.
Philies 4, Rockies 2: Jim Eisenmich scored one run and drove in the fourth as Philadelphia, playing at home, beat Colorado. Padres 17, Cardinals 4: San Die-

go, playing at home, set a club record with 13 runs, 9 hits and 16 five times against St. Louis. ball and misjudged it by three feet .-- Astros 4, Martins 0: Craig Biggio



Barry Bonds, having struck out in the fourth, reflected the frustration of losing a second straight.

hit a three-run homer for Houston cinnati reliever Kevin Wickander getting the sixth run in the fifth while Greg Swindell, who struck threw a wild pitch inning. out 10 in seven innings, two relievers held host Florida to six hits.

Cubs 6, Expos 5: Randy Myers saved his 37th game, tying Bruce Mets 5, Reds 4: Pinch-hitter Jeff Sutter's club record set in 1979, as

Dodgers 13, Pirates 4: Eric Karros hit two three-run homers and Mike Piazza was 4-for-4 with four McKnight tripled in the ninth in Chicago won in Montreal with RBIs as Los Angeles beat visiting New-York and scored when Cin- Derrick May, who scored twice, Pittsburgh.

# Carter Pummels Rookie And Jays Lead by a Game

The matchup of one of major league basehall's hottest sluggers and a 20-year-old rookie pitcher A minor leagues was no match at

Joe Carter slugged his fifth homer in the last three games off rookie Julian Tavarez, and Duane Ward set a franchise record with his 35th save as the Toronto Blue Jays beat the visiting Cleveland Indians, 8-5. Tuesday night. Toronto regained a one-game lead in the American League East as New

Carter homered once Sunday against Seattle and three times in londay's 9-8 toss to Cleveland. His first-inning homer Tuesday, his 28th of the year, capped a three-run inning that helped end the Indians'

winning streak at five games. When Joe gets on a streak like this, you kind of hope he has it at somebody," said Cleveland's manager, Mike Hargrove.

Toronto starter Todd Stottlemyre struggled through 51) innings. innings of one-hit relief.

single, before genting Albert Belle to hit into a game-ending double

"The way this club wins, you'd figure the record would be higher than 34." Ward said, after hreaking the mark for saves reached twice by Tom Henke. "But in the last four or five years, there have been two guys

Tavarez, making just his fourth major league start, yielded seven hits, three walks and seven earned runs in 223 innings.

"He threw a lot of pitches belt-high, right over the plate," Har-grove said, "Against the kind of ballcluh Toromo has, you don't

game in the seventh on homers by Mickey Tettleton and Dan Gladthe plate and not get hurt." White Sox 4, Yankees 2: Ellis Burks doubled home two runs to three-hitter against Seattle.

break a tie in the seventh in Chicago, which maintained its four-game ead over Kansas City in the West. Rangers 4, Red Sox 3: David Hulse drove in two runs for host

#### AL ROUNDUP

Texas, Rafael Palmeiro hit his 32d homer and Roger Pavlik struck out a career-high 10 as Boston lost its fifth straight.
Royals 5, Twins 3: Brian McRae

drove in three runs, two with a twoout triple in a three-run seventh in

Tigers 4, Mariners 1: Detroit. playing at home, broke open a tie game.

den while John Doherty pitched a Orioles I. Angels 0: Cal Ripken

singled in the game's only run in the first inning in Baltimore, and Jamie Moyer held California to three hits over eight innings to outduel Chuck Finley, who allowed only two hits.

Brewers 9, Athletics 2; Bre 7, Athletics 6: Kevin Seitzer snapped a seventh-inning tie with a three-run homer, and Robin Youns capped an uprising in the eighth with a three-run triple as host Milwaukee won the first game.

Dave Nilsson's single, which drove in Kevin Reimer in the 13th inning, beat Oakland in the second

## Witnesses Say They Saw giving up seven hits and five earned runs. Danny Cox followed with 2% Jordan's Father 3 Days Then Ward entered the game with an 8-5 lead hur allowed three hits, including Carlos Baerga's RBI

WINNABOW, North Carolina

- Three people have reported seeing Michael Jordan's father three days after he was supposedly shot and killed, but a detective who investigated James Jordan's murder said it would take something dramatic to convince him that Jordan was still alive then.

Larry Martin Demery and Daniel Andre Green, both 18, have been charged with first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit armed robbery and armed robbery. Helen Norris, 52, a convenience store clerk, said she would "het my

**Seles Says** 

scratch."

conditioning.

'It Will Take

Lot of Hours'

level is going to take a lot of hours."

will include not only a great deal of

physical work but also some mental

to look at the injury.
"It's not something I want to do.

"PrimeTime Live" Thursday.

look back on ever.

cause it brings back that day,

hard. But I think for me I'm going to have to deal with it emotionally also."

hurdle that I just have to jump over," she added. "It's just hard to

Seles said she has sought ways of

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"I was always a strong person

The interview will be telecast on

DJ Mini Mart on U.S. Route 17 on July 26 or 27.

The authorities still believe Jordan was shot in his car early on July 23 near Lumberton, North Carolina, after he had pulled off the highway to rest.

The store is about 50 miles (80 kilometers) from Lumberton,
"These people had the car for
three days," Mark Locklear, a detective in the Robeson Country Sheriff's Department, told a news paper, the Wilmington Morning Star. "We know they were doing a lot of traveling, It's reasonable that they saw the car and saw the suspects. The only thing we can't un-

Locklear said information from the suspects and corroborated by others places them in Robeson County on July 26.

derstand is Jordan being with

Norris remembers a red car with gold trim pulling up to a gas pump at about 9:30 A.M. on either July 26 or 27. Gary Bennett, a bread deliveryman, said he remembered NEW YORK - Monica Seles the incident occurring on July 26. says she "lost everything" when she the newspaper reported.

was stabbed in the back at a tennis Norris said a man she identified tournament four months ago, and as Jordan approached the counter while another man stood in the hack of the store and a third man In her first interview since the pumped gas.

April 30 stahhing in Hamburg, the "He asked if I was O. K.," she two-time U.S. Open champion told ABC's Diane Sawyer: "I haven't said. "I said I was O. K. but I'd be doing better if I was at home in the hit a ball for a long time and ... I mean for me to get back to any bed asleep."

She added: "I said, 'Are you?" Unable to defend her Open title and he said no. I said it'd get better

as the day goes by. this year. Seles said her recovery Bennett said he barely looked up while he was in the store. He remembers three men coming into Seles, recuperating in Vail, Colothe store but could not remember

rado, said she hasn't even been able their ages or if the one at the counter was wearing a hat. Norris said the store's video sur-It just reminds me too much of veillance camera did not have a what actually happened," she said. tape inside at the time.

Both Bennett and Norris said they remembered the car. Jordan's "h's hard to talk about it be- car was a red Lexus.

Seles said. "And that day I'm sure The Italian baskethall federais not one of the days I'm going to tion said Wednesday that it plans to curtail the number of foreigners "I think as soon as I'll be able to allowed to play in the league be-physically swing a racket and bit a cause of a serious economic and ball, I'm going to go out there and technical crisis faced by the counswing it. And I'm going to practice try's No. 2 sport.

Linder a plan to be put before the

federation council Sept. 4 and enmentally, and this is just another be allowed to field a single foreign player in league games and two in the European Cups. Since 1978, understand why a person would Italian clubs have been able to start stab another person for that person not to be No. 1."

two foreigners, most of them Americans, in both league and cuo

coping with her trauma, "and I've gotten much better." And, she said, was intended give Italians more she's been impressed with the in- playing time and to reduce the personal contracts of foreign players. which in the past few years have But she wondered: "Why do we reached \$1.5 million a season for such stars as Toni Kukoc and Brian

## For Tennis's Shaken Mary Pierce, Fear Has a Name: Dad

By Ira Berkow week before the start of the U.S. The scuffle with one of his daughter's bodyMew York Times Service. Mary Pierce, ranked 14th in the world, will guards, and in which the knife they said he
NEW YORK. When you arrived it participate in the tournament, where last wielded cut the guard and him.
The door of the nightchb the Palace on year she lost in the round of 16.

She said she fears for her life because,
Fifth Avenue in Manitarian the large. Mary Pierce is a cover girl now, but not among other things, her father told her, "If grim nown hot buly checked the guard issue of the way she you think there was a nut in Waco, Texas, he also looked over your fall. Was this the had duce seen Clins Evert or Martina, you haven't seen anything yet.

'face he had steen on the photograph given.' New attleva or think learning. The cover had Mooday night at the Palace, Yan-him earlier, the man he was instructed do. Of the current issue of Sports Illustrated in the wide of the surface of the current issue of Sports Illustrated in the palace, Yannick Pierce said that the last time she saw her husband was at the airport in Corsica, grands had already scaled the other wives look and the headline. Why Mary Pierce.

moved at a jog through the bar area to a checks. He is the one from whom Mary small old elevator that was being held for and her brother and mother, who has filed them. The elevator took them to a room on for divorce, have been granted restraining the third floor to a party in bonor of the orders. He must stay out of their lives, but young woman, Mary Pierce, 18, the tennis his threats have scared them, as had his

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She fears for her life because of Jim everybody." This took place Monday night, about a tina, Italy. That was where he engaged in a there.

Why Mary Pierce : where he grabbed her and said: "If you leave me. I have nothing to lose. I will kill

Jim Pierce has been Mary's coach since she began playing, and according to the restraining orders, beat her and her mother and has verbally abused her on the court. She fired him as her coach in June.

tennis tournament with the guards, and without a home. They register in hotels under assumed names. Jim Pierce lives in player. She was with her mother, Yannick. virtual stalking of them through tennis their condo in Delray, Florida, and they and brother, David, 17. sites in Europe, the most troubling in Lasend him \$500 every week to keep him their condo in Delray, Florida, and they

it. Dogs who bite do bark. They aren't

This is not simply a case of a tennis parent gone awry -- we know there have been many of them - but of a domestic terror that has been experienced by many whether in the spotlight or not.

The Women's Tennis Council has barred Jim Pierce from all the rest of its picks me np," she added. What does she events in 1993 because of violent behavior in May at the French Open.

Mary Pierce, meanwhile, tries to make her way up the ladder of tennis. She has a new coach, Angel Giminez, who has coached Gabriela Sabatini. He says she Mary. Yannick and David now move must concentrate harder on her strategy in matches. "Sometimes my concentration wanders," said Mary. To her father? She doesn't answer, doesn't have to.

> She has dreams of one day becoming a model, and there are business discussions for a clothing line endorsed by her, a skin cream and a shampoo. She says she wants

"Some people say we have nothing to fear because a dog who barks doesn't more peaceful. We just want to turn this bite," said Yannick Pierce. "I don't believe page in our lives."

"We must be strong and cope," said Yannick Pierce. "I tell my children that we are here to help each other. Everybody has something to be afraid of. There is no perfect life. But look at the children in Yugoslavia: they go out and play in the street. You can't live in fear." "But sometimes I feel weak and Mary

say? She says, very simply, 'Remember what you told me,'

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## Vineyard Media Frenzy

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I did not hang out with them until
the president came to Martha's

"What about Vineyard for his vacation. It was

fun to see my pals in action again. Despite the fact that I make my

treated me like an island native - some wend primitive beast who lives in the Amazon raio forest

One reporter I know quite well me. What do you

I told him, Buchwald "Tree bark soup and snails." He didn't know if I meant it or not. He wrote it down.

"On their heads. They go to the well twice a day," I assured him.
"Tell me about the social life." "We are very simple people. We catch a bear, roast it over the fire

#### 'Annie' Sequel **Breaks Record**

United Press Internation NEW YORK — "Annie War-bucks," the musical sequel to "Annie," is breaking off-Broad-

way box-office records. The show took in \$102,000 last week at the Variety Arts Theatre -a record for any off-Broadway show — and is virtually sold out for September. Top tickets go for \$47.50, considerably less than the average of \$60 to \$65 a ticket for Broadway musicals.

The original show ran on Broadway from 1977 to 1983 and earned \$30 million. The first attempt at a sequel, "Annie 2: Miss Hannigan's ditches by the president's motor-Revenge," cost \$7 million and closed in Washington to negative reviews in 1990. That hard-luck sequel was abandoned by its producers and with much rewriting evolved into the new \$5.5 million show produced by Karen Walter

MARTHA'S VINEYARD, and sprinkle salt on it. Salt is some-Massacusettts—Although I thing none of us on the Vineyard

"What about the president? Aren't you swells doing handsprings to get near the president?"
"We are excited that the Great residence in Washington 10
white Father from Washington is months a year and spend only two on our island," I told him. "But it is on our island," I told him. "But it is still more fun to wade in the marshes looking for duck eggs."

The worst part of being ma-rooned on Martha's Vineyard with the first family is that you are perceived by the press people you have always worked with as a turncost who has gone over to the other side. You try to explain that you were here 25 years before the president. but your protests don't fly.

This island was uninhabited be-

fore I came. I was the first one to land here," I told them. "If I had thought it would become a Summer White House I would have discovered Nantucket." "How do your women carry their

They wrote it down.

"How are the people on Mar-tha's Vineyard adjusting to it all?"
"It has been stressful particularly trying to find a parking place in town. But you can't blame the president for that. He is unable to build us an 18-story garage until he fi-nances the Soviet grain exports."

I was on a roll, and several of the White House correspondents surrounded me.
"Is the ocean water going to be

too cold for Chelsea?" "I can't speak for her, but most Vineyard tecnagers won't go into the water unless it is sub-freezing." Someone stuck a microphone in my face. "Why don't we ever see

Carry Simon here?" "Is she supposed to be bere?" "She is, unless she's trying to avoid us — and if she is doing that for some reason, we'll find out what it is. Do you think Martha's Vineyard will go for Clinton in 1996?"

cade during the last 10 days." Suddenly a question came from

the back. "Do you people on the island heat your clam chowder or drink it

"Raw - we're not animals." She wrote it down.

# Montreal Museum Is a Laughing Matter

By William Grimes New York Times Service

ONTREAL — In the beginning was M the joke. And verily, it was a kneeslapper. As told at the inaugural exhibi-tion of Montreal's newest cultural institution, the International Museum of Humor, low-forchead man emits his first laugh when a hored Neanderthal drops a stone on the head of a sleeping buddy. The rest of the clan watches, curious, then doubles over with laughter when the butt of the joke howls with pain and rubs his bleeding

You had to be there. Since early April, when the bumor museum opened its doors and stationed Keystone Kops in the lobby, the curious and humor-inclined have followed a historical trail that leads from caveman wit ooward. The free-flow journey is organized

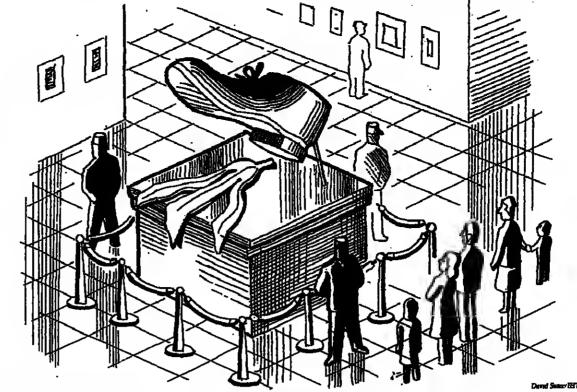
around evocative settings that include a medieval court, in which visitors are taunted in French and English by a jester, and a wacked-out 1950s kitchen, a kind of psychic projection io which old television series can be watched in a washing machine. a refrigerator and a toaster. In a 16thcentury Venetian piazza, visitors watch a film clip of Colombaioni, two Italian clowns in trash cans, who carry on the tradition of the commedia dell'arte.

We wanted to tell a story that spans 2,000 years," said Pasquale L. Iacobacci, the director of the museum. "We wanted to visit genres that began in the Old World and follow them through the ages, and to show a connection between masks and characters that evolved through the years. from the jester to the characters of the commedia dell'arte to the modern clown.

The museum is serious about humor. Serious and high-minded. It is an institution in which curators speak of "the ooto-logy of the clown" without smiling. Iacohacci, ooce a doctoral candidate io comparative literature at McGill University, invoked the Russian literary theorist Mikhail Bakhtin when describing the mul-tiplicity of voices, both literal and figurative, that swirl io the mental space of the

Even as he speaks, dedicated staff members sit glued to television monitors at the museum's research archive, cataloguing cream pies and enumerating banana-peel pratialis for future generations of scholars, who may one day he able to trace the genealogy of stock jokes and situations back through history.

"The museum will not only ennoble a field that has been seen as a secondary art, or even vulgar expression," Iacobacci said, "but also give creators and scholars a chance to work with the complexity of documents that are available in bumor."



The museum, part of the city's attempt to corner the world market to burnor, grew out of Montreal's annual Just for Laughs Festival, founded by Gilbert Rozon, a rock 'n' roll promoter. Rozon decided that humor needed more than a two-week party every year. Documents and artifacts needed a home. Scholars needed a library

and information base. In 1989, Rozon floated the idea and assembled a board. The national, provincial and city governments put up about two-thirds of the 21 million Canadian dollars (about \$16 million) occded to create the museum. The rest came from a mort-gage on the museum building (a former brewery on Boulevard St.-Laurent) and from private donations.

Until the building began to take shape at the end of last year, the museum seemed a baffling concept to people in the entertainment industry and to the holders of rights to material that the museum covets for its exhibitions. Donors have been slow to contribute artifacts, and the museum cannot afford to pay the going rate for rights to such classic comedic material as "I Love Lucy" episodes and many of Charlie Chap-

lin's films, which accounts for gaps in the narrative line of its opening exhibition. On the other hand, the concept of the bumor museum fits right in with the cur-

rent vogue for single-subject museums and the emphasis oo creating an experience rather than presenting artifacts with explanatory wall text.

Recent models were the Museum of Peace in Caen, France, devoted to the Normandy invasion, and the Museum of the Moving Image in London, which takes visitors on a multimedia tour of film history. "We try to mesh together documenta-tion and setting so visitors will come out

with their own perceptions," said Iacobacci. "We are trying to bring a message without directing what the message is."

The message is not all that encouraging about the possibilities for intellectual growth in Homo sapiens. By 1895, many millennia effect the procedurate head may illennia after the rock-on-the-head gag, the Lumière brothers of France created the first narrative film, a 30-second joke called "The Gardener Gets Watered," which is

room filled with dozens of yellow rubber raincoats suspended from the ceiling. The plot? A practical joker steps on a garden hose, waits for the gardener to stare into the nozzle, and then lifts his

screened continuously against one wall of a

You had to be there. "Laughing Matters; Humor Through the Ages," scheduled to run through the end of the year, will give way to other

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exhibits that tell other stories about the experience of burnor. Meanwhile, the museum is using its 250-seat caharet theater to present new comics and to hold semi-

Iacobacci said that he wanted to present unfamiliar forms of bumor. He is eager to create an exhibition devoted to Mexico's Day of the Dead, and the Linares family of Mexico City, impresarios of the event.

The correlation between death and bumor is not one that Canadians or Americans would make, Iacobacci said, pointing out: "Io Mexico, they play with death, even the children, who get sugar candies of skeletons with scythes. It's not very morbid, it's actually quite pleasant; a kind of

The humor of Islam, or lack of it, also fascinates Iacobacci. He sees historical similarities between Spain under the In-quisitioo and some modern Middle Eastarn countries in which the concept of making a joke about serious matters is more or less unknown.

Perhaps an exchange program can be developed, making use of the museum's School of Humor, where trained professionals can instruct novitiates in the fine points of the banana peel, the joy buzzer and the squirting daisy.

O New York Times

Is It Jurassic? Maybe, But Strictly Vegetarian

Steven Spielberg, the director of the thriller "Jurassic Park," will soon bring dinosaurs back to the screen in an animated film. But the new film is a gentle child's story. Spielberg, along with Frank Mar-shall and Kathleen Kennedy, is the executive producer of "We're Back!
A Dinosaur's Story," based on the children's book by Hudson Talbott. Next? "Just Jaws, No Teeth"?

Baring all: The Duchess of York is finally talking about her relationship with John Bryan, her Texan "financial adviser" who was photographed last year nibbling the topess royal's toes in the south of France. Io an interview with Maria Shriver for NBC, she described Bryan as "a brother, really." She said she asked her husband, Prince Andrew, whether he minded Bryan's accompanying ber on a vaca-tion trip with her children, Beatrice and Eugenie, and Andrew, from whom she has split, replied, "No. Great! Have a great time. John is very good with the girls." The former Sarah Ferguson said she went into therapy after the vaca-tion photographs were published.

Bob Hope's family wants to say thanks for the memories and is trying to find a site for a museum of the 90-year-old entertainer's career. He stores his mementos, including 54 honorary doctorates, in a room at his home and in a warehouse.

Marion Brando has sued a film company and producer, alleging that a \$1 million check he was paid for agreeing to appear in a film, "Treasure Island, The Musical," bounced at the bank.

The Marquess of Blandford was fined £1,000 (\$1,500) in a London count Wednesday for not paying taxi fares. The future Duke of Marlborough has previous convic-tions for drunken driving and drug abuse. The marquess, whose wife has left him and whose father has all but disowned him, arrived at court on font.

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